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SHIPBUILDING OUTLOOK.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

Edinburgh, September 8th.

Events seem to be conspiring to render impossible the work of ship construction in Scotland. For the second month in succession not one general trading vessel has been launched on the Clyde, and the output of the river has consisted of a few small craft of special types. Never before in the history of the river, as the leading shipbuilding area of the world, has there been two such months. The vessels were, from the structural point of view, insignificantly small. No contracts for commercial vessels have been announced on the river since early in July, and unless there is an almost immediate improvement in industry none can be anticipated in the near future. Owners cannot place orders because tonnage built at present costs will not pay at present rates of freight, while costs cannot be cut any lower than they are. As if this were not enough, the working and night-shift dispute remains unsettled, and the iron-workers for whom there is employment are walking the streets, or emigrating. The Executive Council of the Shipbuilders' Society continue to reject an agreement which is being operated by the other shipyard unions, and, in consequence, their members cannot obtain employment in federated establishments. All this is leading toward a stoppage of work more complete than has ever been experienced in the past, and one from which recovery will be an extremely difficult and protracted process. The need of the moment is the greatest possible measure of co-operation among shipowners, shipbuilders, and ship constructors, in order to nurse the industry back to economic health and strength. Instead, there is the minimum of co-operation, and every one concerned appears to be fighting for his own hand.

LEWIS OFFERED AS A FREE GIFT.

After five stormy years with the turbulent Leverhulme has taken the sensational step of announcing the offer of the whole land, including Stornoway Castle and policies, and all the sporting lodges, with sporting rights, to the people as a free gift. Writing at this moment the only comment that can be made upon the gift is conveyed in the words of the Project of Stornoway—the capital of the island—"the most sceptical must realise that by his magnificent offer Lord Leverhulme had heaped coals of fire on the heads of the very small percentage of the population who had opposed his schemes."

In the course of a long statement his Lordship says that as he had explained at their first meeting together, he was not attracted to Lewis by any love of sport, such as fishing, game shooting, or deer stalking, but entirely by the possibilities he recognised in Lewis of doing something in his small way within the limits of his capacity for the permanent benefit of the people of the island. But he had found too much opposition and he had resolved therefore that if he should make a gift of the whole of the island of Lewis, as it purchased it from the late proprietor, Colonel Matheson, exclusive of most of the industries I had commenced here, or any of the property I had bought that might remain on my hands in connection with the town-planning scheme or other developments. He proposed that the Castle should be used as a Town Hall and Library and the surrounding grounds as a public park. My earnest wish is that the intended recipients may see their way to accept my offer. The change of ownership should create an entirely different atmosphere and view-point, and I sincerely hope this atmosphere and view-point will all be favourable to the future progress and welfare of Lewis. I am leaving Lewis with deep regrets, but carrying with me the happiest recollections of my five years' residence among the people of Lewis, and my most profound gratitude for the full and generous welcome and support I have always received, practically unanimously, from all. I hope you will receive my proposals as indicating my desire, when leaving Lewis, to do all in my power to secure the future welfare, prosperity, and happiness of its peoples."

Many experiments have been made, and are being made, in the laying of serviceable roads of exceptional durability. From the days of bumpy roads set with cobble stones progress has advanced to the latest experiment of an even, level roadway constructed of rubber blocks. Several thoroughfares in London have been laid with this material, but the advantages or demerits of this paving cannot yet be commented upon, for some time must elapse to provide an adequate test. It is interesting, however, to observe that in Edinburgh also this new paving is to be given a trial, and a stretch of roadway in Shandwick Place has been laid with the blocks. The blocks, or rubber sets, are provided gratis by the North British Rubber Company, the manufacturers, who claim that the blocks have an exceptional shock-absorbing quality, are very durable, and are almost noiseless, no matter what type or quantity of traffic may travel over them. The blocks are made of concrete about the size of the ordinary stone sets, and have an inch and a half, or thereabouts, of vulcanised rubber grouted on the top of the surface. The new roadway in Shandwick Place was laid in the following manner. First, all a concrete bed was laid. This was then covered with sand, and in the sand the rubber blocks are set. To weld them together a bituminous solution is poured into the joints. The cost of laying a road of this description is said to be far more than paying a thoroughfare with either wood or stone.

BIRTH CONTROL.

Not very long ago the subject of "Birth Control" was taboo in all public writings save those of philosophers like John Stuart Mill, and publicists like Charles Bradlaugh. When Bradlaugh handled it in the trenchant style natural to him we put him in prison. A public official of those times would as soon have thought of dealing with birth control, far less of advocating it, as he would have thought of advocating polygamy. If he had done so his tenure of office would have been short, and the Church would have led in demanding his prompt exclusion from

public life. Remembering these facts it supplies a rather striking commentary on the change of attitude when we find the Medical Officer of Health of so important a Scottish burgh as Paisley dealing with birth control in his annual report, rejoicing in evidence of its practice, and strongly advocating more of it. Dr. McMichael starts by recording with satisfaction that the Paisley birth-rate in 1922 was 24.5, whereas in 1920 the rate was 28.4. He hopes the decline may continue, and remarks that "in these days of severe unemployment and trade depression there must be few advocates of the old, misguided policy of encouraging a high rate of fertility." We are overpopulated, he goes on, and any increase simply means a corresponding decline in the standard of living. Finally, he says that "the time has arrived when those responsible for the public health are neglecting their duty if they make no effort to enlighten and educate the general public on this subject," and in this connection, it is most unfortunate, he thinks, that the Ministry of Health has so far strictly discouraged the spread of knowledge of the subject through the medium of the maternity and child welfare centres, to the poorer classes, the people who most require to be educated. It will be interesting to observe if this challenge is taken up in the quarters where in the past it would most certainly have had a stormy acceptance.

EXCURSIONS. At the annual conference of the Burns Federation, held at Ayr, on the whole, the spirit displayed seemed incongruous, coming as it did from members of clubs which are so intent on immortalising the National Bard who wrote of "the brotherhood of man," and that "Prudent, cautious, self-control is wisdom's root." Several important matters were before the meeting. Sir Robert Bruce, LL.D., editor of the Glasgow Herald, was elected to the presidency. An endeavour to transfer the headquarters of the Federation from Kilmarnock to Glasgow was defeated by a large majority, while it was decided that the Executive should fix the dates and places of their various meetings. Unfortunately, the proceedings were marred by several lively scenes, during one of which the president, Dr. McNaught, threatened to leave the chair, and culminating in many of the Glasgow delegates leaving the meeting as a protest against the Chairman's ruling.

THE PRESSURE OF TAXATION. To the long series of memorial evacuations compelled by the ruthless enemy, high taxation, has been added that of the Murray family from Darnhall, in Peeblesshire. This will terminate a four centuries-old association between the family and the village of Edinboro. As the Master of Edinboro explains, people who have large estates and mansions to maintain must draw nowadays on income from extraneous sources if they wish to make ends meet. Thanks largely to the ravages of the Chancellors of the Exchequer, those hereditary seats have ceased to be self-supporting. In such circumstances it is impossible for many landed proprietors to "carry on." They must face the inevitable with what philosophy they can muster, and regretfully sever a link that means much both to themselves and to the people among whom they live. Thus do the people among whom they live. Thus do the effects of the war penetrate deep and wide, affecting social changes of much moment, which all but the most purblind Socialists must regard with regret and misgiving.

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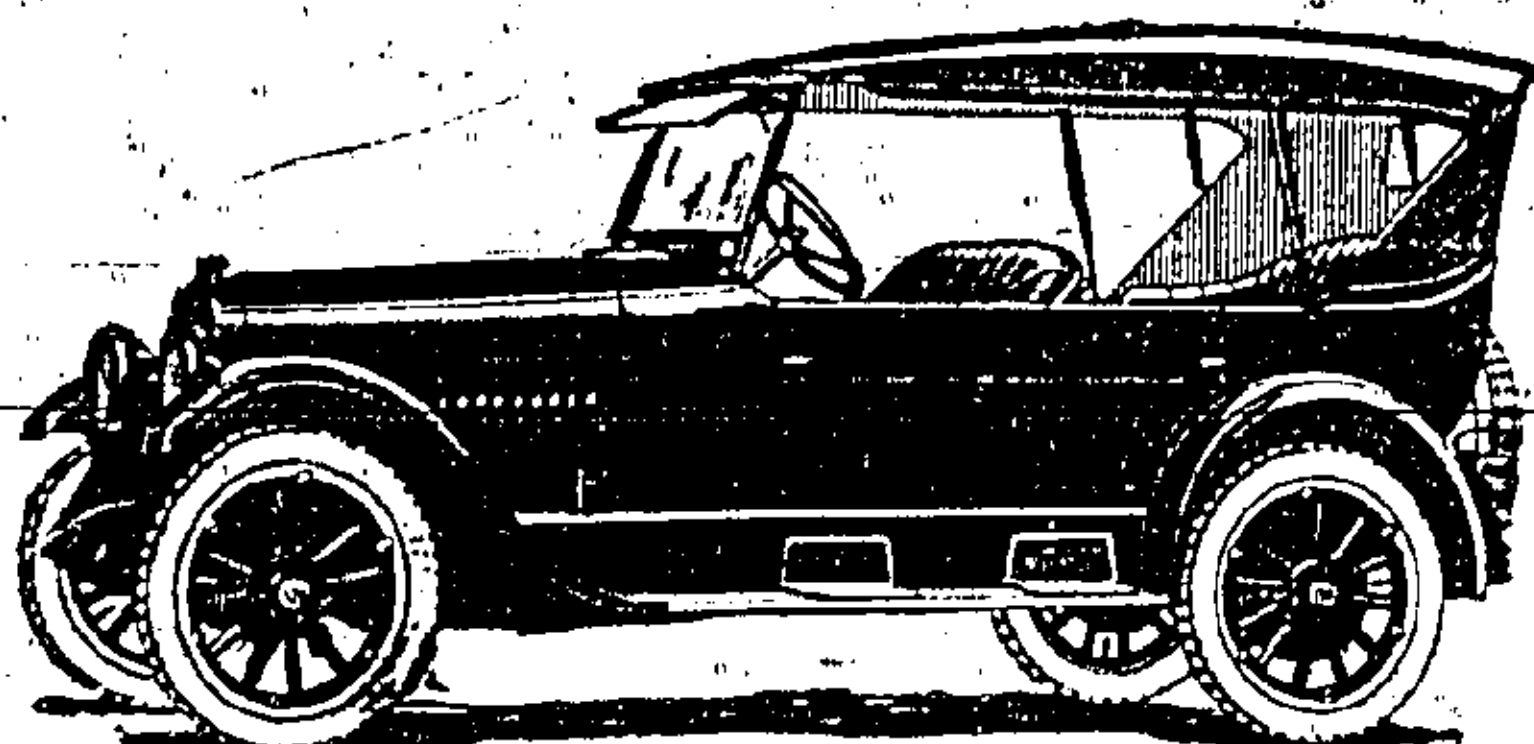
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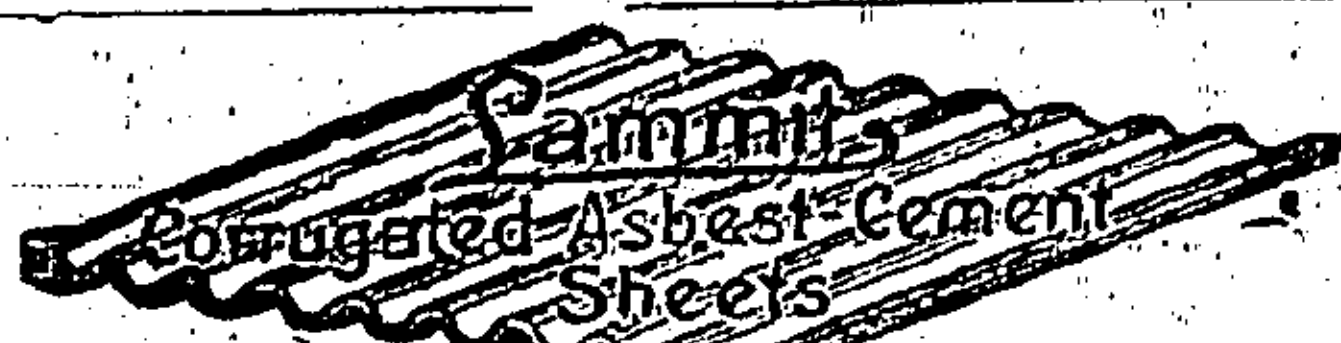
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**HONGKONG WEEKLY SHARE
REPORT.**

Messrs. Benjamin and Potts, in their weekly share report, dated October 12th,

say: "Business during the week which has been on a restricted scale was further curtailed by a Bank holiday on Monday last, but notwithstanding this the local market has kept very steady and there has not been much fluctuation in prices."

The Shanghai market has shown a much better tone and rates in the Cotton section close with a firmer tendency.

Banks.—Hongkong and Shanghai Banks have shown little variation and business has been done at \$1,100/1,105. The London quotation remains unchanged at £124 (middle).

Marine and Fire Insurances.—Unions were bought up to \$235, but have relapsed to \$231 at the close. Yangtses are somewhat easier and after sales at \$251 have rallied to \$27. Cuntons at \$240. North Chinas at \$110. China Fires at \$131 and Hongkong Fires at \$300 are steady at quotations.

Shipping.—Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamships are inclined to strengthen and can be placed at \$44. Douglas Steamships continue to find supporters at \$60. Star Ferries at \$54 and Hongkong Tugs at \$1. Deferred Indes made a sudden jump from \$127 to \$125, closing with buyers at the latter rate.

Refineries.—China Sugars are in better request with sales made up to \$224. Malabons are asked for at \$60.

Oils and Mining.—Langkats have changed hands at \$231. Tronchs have moved upwards and are wanted at 20/6. There are buyers of Kaifans at 61/.

Electric Companies.—Deals were made in Hongkong Trams at \$24 early in the week but buyers are now offering \$24. China Lights (Old) were sold at \$1,70.

Docks, Wharves and Godowns.—Hongkong and Kowloon Wharves were again negotiated at \$158. Hongkong and Whampoa Docks are in demand at \$149 ex the interim dividend of \$1 just paid. New Engineerings have been booked at \$1,730. Shanghai Docks are enquired for at Tls. 93 and Hongkows at Tls. 106.

Lands, Hotels and Buildings.—Hongkong Hotels (Old) have come to business at \$27, but close easier. Hongkong Land have firmed up to \$80. Kowloon Land at \$85 and Prince's Buildings at \$125 are saleable at quotations.

Cotton Mills.—Ewos have again been dealt in at Tls. 13.60/13.70. Shanghai Cottons are in favour and have spurred to Tls. 92. Orientals have hardened and could be placed at Tls. 51.

Miscellaneous.—Green Island Cements continue very flat and can be had at \$24. Hongkong Constructions have been put through at \$41 and Lane Crawfords at \$17.70. Taxicabs have changed hands at \$5 and continue in request. Mackin-toshes have been taken off the market at the improved price of \$23. There are buyers of Hongkong Ropes at \$37. Union Waterboats at \$197 and Sincers at \$122.

Forward Settlement Days.—25th Oct. (Friday), 27th Nov. (Tuesday), and 26th Dec. (Thursday), 1923.

Exchange.—The T.T. selling rate on London to-day is 2/3, and on Shanghai 73.

**THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL OF
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FILIPINO POLITICIANS PLAN-
NING A BOYCOTT.

The legislature, at least the coalition majority, will disregard entirely all recommendations that Governor-General Wood may make in his message to that body, declared Representative Pablo de la Rosa last week. "We have already agreed," he continued, "not to pass any measure he recommends because he has disregarded the council of state and has not asked the advice of the department secretaries in preparing his message to the legislature."

Representative de la Rosa, reports the Manila Times, stated further that Governor-General Wood has, by adopting the attitude he did in preparing his message, tried to be an "absolute ruler." This reported action of the chief executive, he said, will make the non-co-operation policy of the legislature more spirited on the part of the legislators.

It has been the precedent that the chief executive asks the department secretaries for advice and recommendations for needed legislation and then embodies these recommendations together with his own in his message, senators and representatives interviewed on this matter declare. The chief executive has asked the different chambers of commerce here to make recommendations for needed legislation and has ignored the department secretaries who are not only in a better position to say what the country needs but compose the representation of the Filipino people in the executive department of the government, they declare.

**HONGKONG SHARE MARKET
CLOSING QUOTATIONS**

October 12th, 1923.	
Hongkong and Shanghai Banks	\$1,105 1/2
Canton Insurances	\$310 b.
Douglas Steamships	\$90 b.
"Star" Ferries	\$54 b.
China Sugars	\$24 b.
Langkats (Combined)	Tls. 25 1/2
Kowloon Wharves	\$157 1/2 a.
Whampoa Docks	\$119 b.
Hongkong Lands	\$89 sa.
Humphreys Estate	\$23.10 b.
Comments	\$28 b. & sa.
Hongkong Electric	\$31 b.
Hongkong Trams	\$24 b.
b.—buyers; a.—sellers; sa.—sales.	

**JAPAN DISAPPROVES OF
YANGTSE CONTROL.**

AMERICA AND FRANCE INSTIGATORS OF NEW PLAN.

A Japanese news agency states that along with the tension of situation in the Yangtze Valley involving the safety of foreigners and foreign ships, the proposal for the joint patrol of the Yangtze by the Powers' warships will, it is understood, be again considered, this time more seriously. As repeatedly reported, Japan is opposed to the proposal and it is the United States and France who are eagerly endeavouring to see the proposal put into realization. The reason why the United States is so earnest over the question, it is because, China is persistently refusing the American protests regarding outrages committed on American ships in the Yangtze, by saying that the vessels were suspected of having a consignment of arms on board, and that the alleged ships were taken in order to stop and examine them. It is probable that the joint patrol proposal will not be realized without Japan's approval.

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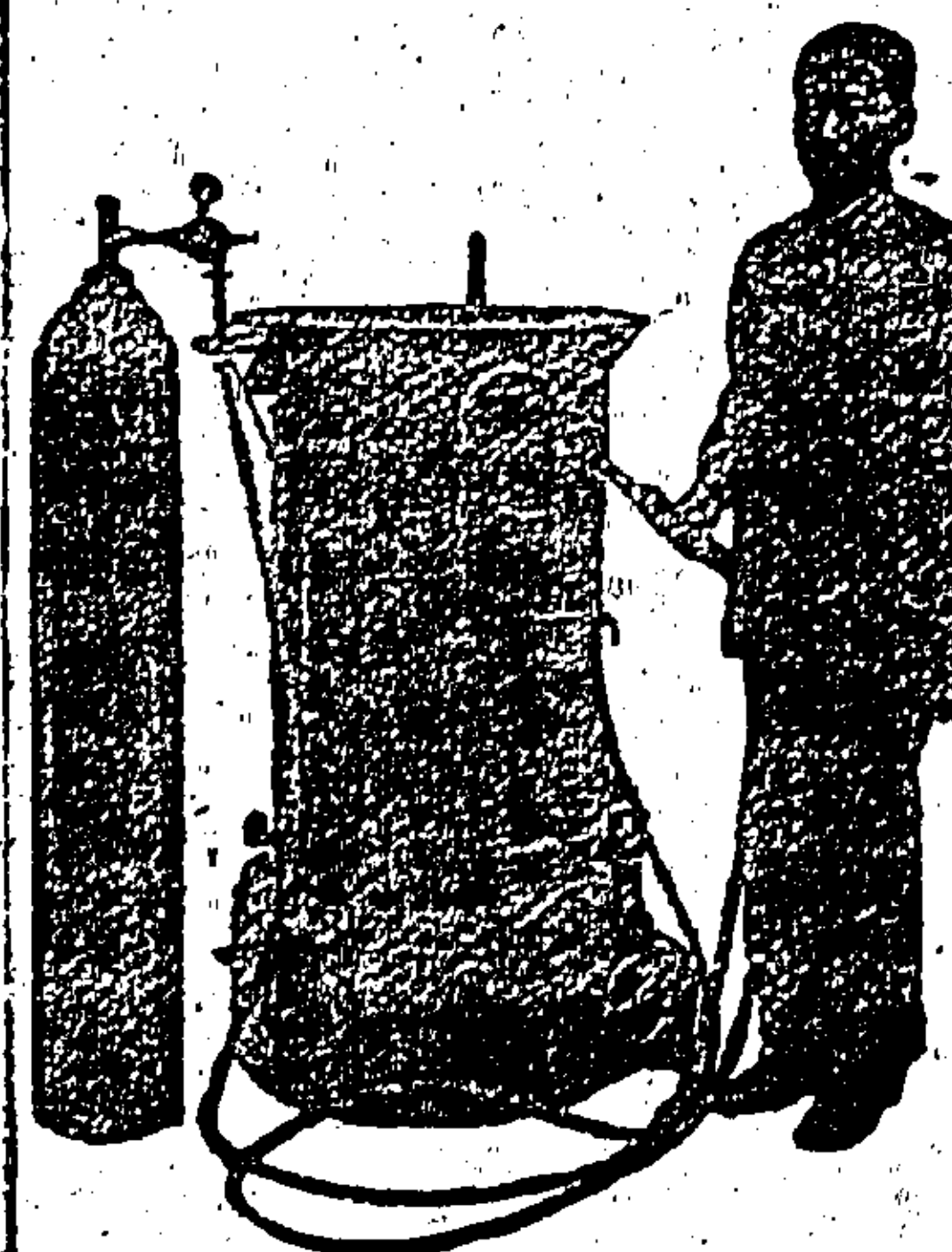
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THE CAPTIVE MISSIONARY

LADIES.

HARASSED BRIGANDS WANT TERMS.

The secretary of the China Inland Mission at Shanghai has received the following letter, dated from Chenchawfu, October 1st, relative to the ladies recently captured by bandits in Houan:—

"On Saturday my two men returned after following on the track of brigands for five days. They reached Putai to S.E. and found the band had gone off towards the Anhui border. They found it very difficult to proceed owing to the bad state of the country, so came back to report about things."

Last night our Magistrate called for me after midnight, and informed me of a further change in the situation, the brigands having been turned back down east, had come back northwest as far as Fengtai to li from here, where they were evidently getting hemmed in by the military. A further happy development was that the Shihwa Magistrate's two deputies had succeeded in getting in to the brigand Chief Fan and brought a letter addressed to our Magistrate and myself stating they wanted to come to terms, and were anxious to have the soldiers called off. They assured us the captive ladies were being well treated, and took the above deputies in to see them. The deputy said he could not converse with the ladies but declared they were all right. With the letter he brought a small list of things the ladies wanted.

A WAY OPENING.
After consultation with the Magistrate and the deputy we decided to immediately send the brigand's letter to Chowchinkow to Messrs. Joyce and Brock with a long telegram to the Kaifeng Tuli giving the gist of the letter, and also to request General Tien to come here and be prepared to conduct negotiations. Thus, thank God, a way seems to be opening for the release of our ladies. I was sorry the deputy brought no letter from the ladies, but he said there was not time to try and get out. He was prepared to return to Fengtai with a letter from us to the brigand chief and to take letters and a parcel of supplies to the ladies.

Mrs. Boyis and myself spent the early hours of the morning preparing the parcel ready for the deputy to start at daylight. We hope for some return communication soon, and that further negotiations will proceed at once. The Lord is working for us.

Our city is again closely shut up with the brigands so near, but troops are arriving outside, and I expect the brigands are being surrounded. Mr. Ford came along here to-day to render assistance: we hauled him and his bicycle up over the city wall.

I forgot to say that our Magistrate called for me yesterday and wanted to know if I was willing to be escorted with Mrs. Boyis to Kaifeng for safety, as he felt doubtful in regard to taking care of us. I assured him we were not afraid, and were needed here, also that as the brigands were being dealt with by the military the danger was lessened. Pastor Wang and I dined, for at him too, by asking him about the safety of his wife and family, and told him we would all go together if it came to that. He has not mentioned it again. The time is difficult indeed. May the Lord guide us all!

TRUCE REQUESTED BUT REFUSED.

A Router message from Kaifeng dated October 4th said:—

The brigands who are holding Miss Darroch and Miss Sharp have been surrounded by General Tien's troops for three days in a district 60 li east of Chowchinkow. During this time the brigands requested a truce but the military refused. The brigands have now apparently broken through the cordon for today's telegram from Chowchinkow reports them as being 50 li north-east of Chowchinkow. The telegram says that the troops need support and are short of ammunition. A letter has been received from the captives.

HOW BANDITS CAPTURED THE LADY MISSIONARIES

24 HOURS OF PILLAGE.

The Peking and Tientsin Times gives following account of the bandit raid when the two lady missionaries were taken captive:—

Further details of the bandit outrage at Hsiao or Sihunhsien, Honan, on September 23rd when the notorious brigand, Fan Minhsin, looted the station of the China Inland Mission and kidnapped, among others, two British lady missionaries, Miss Mary Darroch and Miss Mary R. Sharp, were revealed to-day with the receipt of dispatches from private sources. It is stated that the local garrison, composed of one company of Shensi troops, was depleted at the time the bandits surrounded the station although where the absentees were has not been referred to. Disguised as farmers, it is stated, a number of the bandits entered the city with their arms concealed beneath their coats. Once within the gates they assembled and set fire to a number of residences, creating a panic that led the soldiers guarding the gates to open them for the entrance of the others. They then resorted to a house-to-house robbery. The Magistrate did not escape. He was soundly thrashed, his wife was murdered, the town's prisoners were freed and then the yamen was razed by fire. The looting and pillaging continued for 24 hours; it is stated, the bandits finally leaving with the two British lady missionaries and 240 of the native citizenry. The reports are rather confused as to the eventual fate of the magistrate, although one says he was murdered before the bandits left. (Continued at foot of next column.)

NATIONAL DAY CELEBRATION AT CANTON.

Thus the Canton Daily News:—

The whole city appeared to be a scene of gaiety and prosperity on Wednesday.

October 10th, the 12th Anniversary of the Republic. Throughout the day streets were filled with large crowds of people and most of the buildings were beautifully decorated with flags and bunting. Arches were built in the different main thoroughfares.

In the afternoon, a parade was held by the different public organizations of the city. It was participated in by several thousand persons, most of them being students, labourers, and merchants. In order to arouse the opposition of the public against Tsao K'un, who usurped the bogus presidency on the National Day, the paraders carried numerous signs with the words "Down with Tsao K'un!" "We will never recognize Peking's Corrupt Election."

A celebration was held at the First Public Park under the auspices of the Kuomintang party. The park was beautifully decorated with flags and flowers. More than two thousand persons participated in the celebration, which commenced at noon. Governor Liao Chung Kai delivered the opening speech, in which the Governor explained the policy of Dr. Sun Yat Sen, Governor Liao said that the anniversary commemorated the supreme sacrifices made by many brave countrymen who gave up their lives for the sake of the Republic, and it also commemorated the day when Dr. Sun's idea of establishing a republic was realized. Speeches were also made by Mr. Lin Sun, Secretary of Interior; Mr. Mr. Lin Chieh Min of the General Headquarters, and others.

A grand review of the Merchant Corps was held at their Parade Ground in the afternoon. All the men of the ten corps of the Merchants' Volunteers were present for inspection by their commander. They won public admiration by their military smartness.

In the evening a lantern procession took place. It started at Saikwayuan and paraded through the different markets and main streets. At the Public Park, theatrical performances, modern plays, and moving pictures were given.

ROMANCE OF A GRAVE IN CHINA.

LOST BISHOP'S REMAINS FOUND AND RE-BURIED.

"To have been buried as a Roman Catholic Bishop of Peking and to have the Christian community lose all exact knowledge of your grave would seem passing strange." It is this that John J. Heeren opens a most interesting article—"The Romance of a Bishop's Grave"—in the July issue of the *Chinese Recorder*, and how this strange thing came to pass this narrative shows. Bernardino della Chiesa, born on May 24th, 1844, at Venice, where he later joined the Franciscan Order, was the first Bishop of Peking. Della Chiesa, we are told, "belonged to the same family as the late Pope, whose name was Giacomo della Chiesa. This relationship to Benedict XV. was responsible for locating this long-lost grave and establishing its indisputable genuineness." Dr. Heeren relates that when della Chiesa became Bishop of Peking, there was bitter contention between the Jesuits on the one hand and the Dominicans, Franciscans, etc., on the other, and owing to the resultant intrigue, hatred and accusation, the bishop did not reside in Peking, the centre of Jesuit activity, but in Liaoning. Here he died on December 31st, 1921, and was buried in a 10 "mou" large Christian cemetery, four and a half miles south of Liaoning. As the result of trouble some years later, the cemetery was lost to the Church, and the headstone and oratory, said to have been built over the bishop's grave, disappeared. Several attempts were made to discover the grave, but not until 1920 were Mgr. della Chiesa's remains discovered. They have been reinterred with fitting ceremony at Hung Chin Lou, a suburb of Tientsin. The *China Express* and *Telegraph* says the article forms an interesting page of history in the Christian movement in China.

The alarm only reached Kaifeng on September 25th it was stated and then two separate detachments of troops were sent in pursuit. The brigands, however, disappeared, some going towards Chowchinkow, others towards Taikeng and others towards the Weibien districts.

The Bogus Cabinet has discussed the outrage, following a protest from the British authorities, but has done nothing save to instruct Wa Pei Fu, and Tsao K'un to take the strictest measures to protect foreign life and property in the interior; to make a full investigation of the facts in connection with the bandit coup; to ascertain the reason why the local garrison was virtually off duty and to punish the local officials who may be held responsible for the incident.

Another case of banditry worrying the Bogus Cabinet occurred at Linchuhien, Shantung, on September 25th. Brigands entered the town, freed the jails of all prisoners, plundered a number of homes of wealthy Chinese and then disappeared. Tuchen Tien, Chung Yu reports that the object of the brigands was to secure the release of a number of their comrades who had been arrested on various charges. Tuchen Tien denies that the outrage had any political significance and declares that the timely arrival of reinforcements saved the entire town from being looted.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE RETROCESSION OF WEIHWAI.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS."]

Sir,—In reference to the full text of the terms of the rendition of Weihaiwei you have published, the *N. C. Daily News* of 25th ult. has a leading article on the subject, in which the Editor remarks "Man being born to grumble."

Especially Englishmen, it is certain there will be no lack of criticism. As I bought a piece of land at Weihaiwei some years ago for the purpose of building a bungalow, I propose, if I may be allowed to indulge in the Englishman's privilege and give expression to a most emphatic "grumble."

When I bought my land from the Chinese vendor, he and I both supposed it was a transaction in fee-hold property. The title-deeds issued by the local British Government, to whom I paid the usual fees for the transfer and registration, indicate quite clearly that I was purchasing the land and not taking it over on lease. In theory, land in China is the property of the state and can be held on perpetual lease, but the "perpetual lease" is, for all practical purposes, the equivalent of "freehold."

Article 14 of the terms of rendition is "All documents of title to land issued to foreigners in the prescribed form shall be exchanged without fee for leases of thirty years at option of the holders. This being interpreted seems to mean that I, or my heirs and assigns, can enjoy the use of the property in question for sixty years. But what is to happen after that? Can the lease be renewed for a further succession of 30-year terms, "without fee" and *in fee*? Or am I, or my heirs and assigns, to be deprived of the property which originally was acquired as "freehold" property? In the latter event does it revert to the original vendor, or to the Chinese Government? If the latter is to acquire it, will it be an easy way for Celestial officials of the future to get something for nothing? On the other hand, if the lease can be renewed at the end of every 30-year term, "without fee," for all time, who not issue a "perpetual lease"? Wherein lies the sense of the 30-year arrangement?

Article 11 reads: "The Chinese Government agrees to maintain as far as possible the present system of efficient government throughout the Territory with existing regulations and policies for a period of ten years. There is a touch of humour about this article. Why as far as possible? If the administration has been efficient, why limit it to ten years? The plain man will naturally ask: "Are the present inspectors of police to be kept on?" This is a matter of utmost importance to property-holders.

Article 12 says: "The present Port Edward area shall be maintained by China as an area for international trade and residence and for municipal government, and for the said area a committee shall be formed." The Committee will consist of not less than two foreign members and not more than five Chinese members. This Committee will advise the Administrator. It rather looks as if Weihaiwei is not even to be a Treaty Port and foreigners will lose some of the privileges residents in such ports enjoy. For instance, can the foreigner in future buy land on "perpetual lease" as he certainly can in a Treaty Port? Can the foreigner sell to another the land he now holds, or can it be leased only?

It will be seen that the foreign representation can at any time be swamped by the Chinese, and the British Government is lending its hand to the setting up of an autocratic form of government. Lord Balfour at Washington demanded "adequate" representation of foreign interests in municipal affairs. Will anyone have the assurance to assert that this new arrangement is "adequate"? Will he persist in doing so, if he is informed that it is British rule, British money, British energy and enterprise that have brought its present prosperity to Weihaiwei?

Harbin is a Russian town taken over by the Chinese. There the Municipal council consists of 3 Russians, 3 Chinese, 1 Japanese, and 1 member of the Consular body, paying, but not controlling, the police. The Council has full control without interference from any outside authority—over sanitation, its municipal doctor, its roads, public and private lighting. It has full powers to levy rates and taxes to cover cost of public services. How does the arrangement made for Harbin made by the Powers compare with this arrangement for Weihaiwei? Is there anywhere on earth a municipal area under a body of men with no powers at all to manage their own affairs, whose business it will be merely to "advise" some local potentate, the said potentate being quite free to accept, or reject, proffered advice?

Articles 20 and 22 arrange for the expenditure for a period of ten years of any surplus from the customs revenue on roads connecting Port Edward with the hinterland. (This is a substitute for Lord Balfour's suggestion of a railway.) But Weihaiwei ceases to be a customs-free port and it is possible that a great part of its trade will disappear. In that event the amount to be spent on this particular project may amount to very little.

There can be little doubt that when the general public gets to know what the terms of rendition really amount to, they will agree with the writer that property-holders at Weihaiwei have good reason for protesting against the terms of rendition as being decidedly inadequate for the protection of their interests.—I am, etc.,

IGNORAMUS.

October 5th, 1923.

MOUTH SPRAYING LAUNDRYMEN.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS."]

Sir,—In a recent issue of the *Daily Press* mention was made of a case in Shanghai where a Chinese laundryman was convicted on a charge of "mouth spraying." You expressed curiosity as to whether or not this practice is still carried on in Hongkong, and if there is any punishment for it in law. On the latter point I have no knowledge, but with regard to the former I have. Less than a fortnight ago I had occasion to see my own laundryman personally. Arrived at his shop I employed a few idle moments watching his men ironing. The result was interesting though rather disgusting. Each man who was ironing had before him a small bowl of water. Every now and then he would bend down to the bowl, take a mouthful of the fluid into his mouth and then spurt it over whatever article of attire he happened to be working upon at the moment in a fine spray. Needless to say that was the last time that particular laundry washed any clothes of mine.

If there is no punishment for a filthy practice of this sort it is about time one was instituted. If there is a punishment then it is up to the police to see that it is administered.—Yours, etc.,

S. G. H.

JAPANESE EARTHQUAKE DISASTER.

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HONGKONG RELIEF COMMITTEE.
Hongkong, 10th September, 1923. [1297]

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Hongkong, 10th October, 1923. [1414]

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Hongkong, 11th October, 1923. [1417]

THE "CHANGSHA" STRANDING INQUIRY AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.

A Court of Inquiry sat at the Harbour Office yesterday morning for the purpose of investigating the circumstances surrounding the stranding of the s.s. *Changsha*, owned by Messrs. Butterfield and Swire, and commanded by Captain F. G. Gumbrell, which went ashore on the Tsiu Tung, near Sandakan, on August 19th. The vessel was refloated and is now in Taikoo Dock.

The Court was presided over by the Harbour Master (Commander C. W. Beckwith, R.N.), the other members being Lieut. J. B. Farrant, R.N. (H.M.S. *Bluebell*), Capt. W. Davidson (Marine Superintendent of the C.P.S.S.), Capt. D. Evan (s.s. *Elvina*), and Capt. Kelway (s.s. *Hin Sang*).

Mr. E. Davidson represented the Captain and officers of the vessel.

Mr. Davidson, relating the story of the stranding, stated that it was the result of a series of remarkable coincidences. The vessel left Sydney on the 2nd August for Hongkong and on the 17th August left Gunga Island and set her course towards Sibutu Passage. On the following day at 4 a.m. observations were taken by the master, and the 2nd and 3rd officers. They obtained results within three miles of each other. Other observations were taken during the day, and at 6.30 p.m. the Chief Officer made observations from three stars, from which he obtained a definite result. This was where the first coincidence occurred. Through an unfortunate clerical error the observation was incorrect. The ship's position was actually five miles further to the North than the Chief Officer's observation made it. It was also some distance away to the East. This mistake was in no way the cause of the accident, but was merely the first link in the chain of circumstances leading to the stranding. The same mistake might have made a hundred times with no ill results. Unfortunately, the position obtained by the incorrect observation was precisely the one which coincided with the ship's dead reckoning, plus a five miles southerly set. The Captain had been on this run for seven years, and during that time his experience had been that nearly always in this part of the sea there was a southerly set. Consequently, the result of these observations placing the ship in the exact position the Captain expected her to be in by his dead reckoning, the observation was naturally accepted as being correct. Expecting, under these conditions, a further southerly set, the Captain expected to sight Sibutu Island, either straight ahead or on his port bow at two o'clock the next morning. He also anticipated seeing the light on the southern extremity of this island. The light in question (Mr. Davidson continued) was not considered very reliable, as it was as often unlit as it was lit. The Captain turned in, and was called at two o'clock in the morning. There was no land in sight. At 2.30 what was thought to be Sibutu Island was sighted in the position anticipated. The light was not seen, but, for the reasons he had indicated, nothing was thought of that. At 2.55 the steamer was three or four miles from the land, and the course was altered to Northward to a mid-channel course. At 3.5 a dark streak was sighted ahead which the Captain and second officer thought was rain. He took no chances, however, and the engines were put full speed astern, and the helm was put hard over a starboard. The streak across the horizon was sighted at 3.5 o'clock, and the vessel went aground at 3.8.

What had happened was that the Island of Manuk had been mistaken for Sibutu Island. At the angle the ship approached the land, the contour was very similar to that of Sibutu Island. Indeed, everything seemed to have conspired to set the ship on her wrong course. Had the ship been further northward or southward a mile, nothing would have happened, and the ship would have been set on her proper course. After the grounding everything possible for the safety of ship and cargo was done.

Capt. Gumbrell gave evidence bearing out the foregoing statement. He described the steps he took for the safety of the ship and the passengers, and paid high tribute to the way in which his officers and engineers had worked.

Evidence was also given by the Chief Officer, Mr. A. M. Frame, and the Second Officer, Mr. F. G. Stratford.

The Court was adjourned, and the finding will be given this morning.

EX-ACTIVES SERVICE MEN'S ASSOCIATION.

SECOND ANNUAL MEETING.

REMARKABLE GROWTH OF THE ASSOCIATION.

ONLY ONE PAYMENT FROM THE CHATER ENDOWMENT FUND.

Following are extracts from the Committee's Report which will be laid before the second annual meeting of the Ex-Active Service Men's Association (1918-1919):—

The gross turnover including subscriptions and fees was approximately \$41,000. In addition was received a donation of \$10,000 from Sir Paul Chater, of which \$9,000 was invested in a mortgage at 7 per cent. interest. Our trading profit from all sources, including bar refreshments and billiards, was approximately \$12,000. On the bathing bench and other amusements we spent \$2,500, of which \$1,000 was appropriated from Sir Paul Chater's donation. Our bad and irrecoverable debts amount to \$270, which is less than 1 per cent., and I think you will agree that this is a satisfactory figure.

The growth of the Association during the past year has been remarkable. In October, 1922, the membership was 329. During the year 213 new members joined, making a total membership of 542. From this number must be deducted 14 resignations and 3 deaths, which leave the present membership strength at 555.

We regret to note that up to the present time the Association has received only one payment of its share of the interest of the Chater Endowment Fund, viz., \$500 in January, for the period 15th May, 1922, to 15th November, 1922. No further payments have yet been received, although the Association has requested the Trustees of the Fund to pay the interest to date.

The annual dinner was held on Armistice Day, 11th November, 1922, at the Hongkong Hotel. Over 100 persons were present, including a number of guests. At the dinner, poppies were auctioned and a sum of \$318.90 was realised in aid of St. Dunstan's Home for Blindfolded Soldiers and Sailors. The same evening the then President, Lieut. W. St. A. Malleson, V.C., was presented by the members of the Association with a gold watch on the occasion of his early departure from the Colony. On 24th January, a reception was given to Sir Paul Chater at the Club, in celebration of the conferring on him of the degree of LL.D. at Hongkong University.

At the unveiling of the Cenotaph, on 24th May, a party of members volunteered to attend at the invitation of the Military authorities, and duly paraded at the ceremony. Arrangements have been made for a regular supply of flowers to be placed on the Cenotaph.

Through the generosity of Sir John Fowler, arrangements were made for a lease to the Association of the Easna beach at Stonecutters. The beach was opened on 15th May. During the season 67 trips were made, with a total of 2,860 passengers. These figures do not include members and visitors who used private launches. A very popular feature during the summer was the dance bathing carnivals of which two were held. Full advantage was taken of the opportunity by large numbers of people. Unfortunately, owing to the exceptionally bad weather, other similar events had to be postponed. During the typhoon, we had the misfortune of having a large part of the dressing room smashed destroyed.

Your Committee regret to report the death of three members during the year—Mr. W. Neale, Mr. C. B. Craigie and Mr. H. J. Hooper.

Sir Paul Chater again demonstrated his keen interest in the progress of the Association by a generous gift of \$10,000. The money was presented with no restrictions, Sir Paul leaving its disposal to the discretion of the General Committee. Mr. W. L. Shepton also subscribed his annual donation of \$50.

The matter of new Club premises has been seriously considered by your Committee, but owing to the high rent prevailing, as well as the opinion that the present abnormal rents will decrease in the near future, and also owing to the fact that satisfactory arrangements have been made with regard to the present premises, no immediate change has been contemplated.

During the year it was considered advisable to institute a service of meals at the Club-room, that is, dinners, teas and meals at odd hours. This enterprise was well received and has been availed of by over a thousand members during the year. Considerable work has been carried out to assist Ex-Active Service men in distress. Positions have been found for quite a number of men and many distressed Ex-Active Service men leaving the Colony furnished with clothing. In addition, a number of men have been maintained for different periods at various institutions in the Colony.

SOLICITORS EXTRAORDINARY REQUEST.

DOUBTS GOVERNMENT MEDICAL OFFICER'S CERTIFICATE.

Mr. C. A. S. Russ, solicitor, appeared in a remand case at the Magistracy, yesterday afternoon, and made an extraordinary request to the Magistrate (Mr. Melbourne). After hinting at the doubtfulness of a Government Medical Officer's certificate which stated that the complainant in the case was unable to attend, as he was still in hospital, Mr. Russ requested the Magistrate to express "a little pain" (presumably to the Medical Officer in question) at the delay caused by the non-appearance of the complainant.

The case was one in which Jamil Singh, a ship's guard on the s.s. *Hai Hong*, summoned two Indians, Kan Singh, a private watchman of No. 39, Robinson Road, and Escher Singh, a police guard on the s.s. *Cheng Chui*, for unlawfully assaulting him and doing him actual bodily harm. The defendant, Kan Singh, issued a cross-summons against the complainant, and two others, Mehar Singh, a ship's guard on the s.s. *Kwong Hong*, and Deyu Singh, a watchman employed by Sang Lee, also for assault. The alleged assaults took place in Connaught Road Central on the 20th of September.

"At the commencement of the case, yesterday afternoon, Inspector Earnest, who appeared for the police, said the original complainant was unable to attend. He was still in hospital. Hearing out his remarks Inspector Earnest handed in a Government Medical Officer's certificate to that effect.

Mr. Russ, appearing for Kan Singh and his compatriot, said: My instructions are that he is well, and that he has been well for a very long time and that he is able to attend.

The Magistrate: Here is the Medical Officer's certificate. Mr. Russ. You can't very well go beyond that.

Inspector Earnest said that he was informed at the hospital that every time the complainant got out of bed he became dizzy and could not walk.

Mr. Russ: My instructions are—although I don't like to say it—that he is shamming. You see the difficulty in this case is that I have instructed Counsel. In fact, I had Counsel ready for this afternoon.

The Magistrate: I don't see that I can do anything. The Medical Officer has certified that the complainant is too ill to attend at this time.

Mr. Russ: I do not know whether you can use your influence with the Medical Officer in getting him not to certify that he is not in a fit condition to attend? and I don't know whether you could express a little pain at the delay caused. It is very unfortunate, added Mr. Russ, for Counsel will, I am afraid, ask for a retrial fee.

Inspector Earnest: Mr. Russ was informed yesterday afternoon, your Worship, that the complainant would not be able to attend.

Mr. Russ then hastened to point out, that Counsel was not present, "but," Mr. Russ added, "he does not like having to keep an afternoon open for nothing."

The Magistrate decided to adjourn the case for one week and Inspector Earnest emphasised the point that he was sure that if the complainant was able to come out of hospital the Doctors would not keep him there.

To this the Magistrate agreed saying, "I don't think they can bluff the Doctors."

PERSONATING A WATER POLICE CONSTABLE.

A man named Lam Cheong, aged 23 years, who was dismissed from the Hongkong Police Force in 1917 after serving three months in gaol for desertion, was yesterday charged before Mr. J. R. Wood, with having in his unlawful possession a police service belt and with stating that he was a constable in the Water Police.

A Chinese detective told the Court that when he arrested the man on the Yaumati wharf he had the belt in his possession. He then told the detective that he belonged to the Water Police. The defendant told the Magistrate that he purchased the belt from a stall in Lascar Row. He did not know it was a police belt.

Serjt. Langan said the defendant had been taken to a stall in Lascar Row but the keeper denied knowing him.

On the first charge a fine of \$5 with the alternative of seven days' imprisonment was ordered. On the second count a fine of \$10 with the alternative of 14 days was ordered, the sentences to run consecutively.

WORLD THEATRE.

SUNDAY'S SPECIAL ATTRACTION.

The magnificent seven reel picture, Dickens' masterpiece, "A Tale of Two Cities," featuring the famous William Farnum in his dual role will be shown at the World Theatre, for the last time, to-morrow (Sunday) at 1.30 p.m. sharp, with a special reduction in price for children. At 6 p.m. a thrilling romance "Dead Game" written by Edward Sedgwick, featuring the daring Foot Gibson supported by a splendid cast, including Laura La Plante and Robt. McKim, will be screened. "Dead Game" is a story of a man who knew a good deal about fighting, riding and other manly occupations, but nothing at all about women. To him a woman was the "big problem."

SPORT.

FOOTBALL.

TO-DAY'S MATCHES.

HONGKONG LEAGUE.

Division I.—Kick off 4.45 p.m.
Kowloon v. H.M.S. *Tamar*, Kowloon ground. Referee, Mr. Wakeham.
H.M.S. *Disinde* v. King's Regt., Navy "A" ground. Referee, Mr. Williams.

R.G.A. v. Hongkong Club, Sookunpoo "A" ground. Referee, Mr. Smith.

Division II.—Kick off 4.30 p.m.

Club Reserves v. Filipino Club, Club ground. Referee, Mr. Lavender.

King's Reserves v. *Bluebell*, Sookunpoo "A" ground. Referee, Mr. Spencer.

St. Joseph's v. R.G.A. Reserves, St. Joseph's ground. Referee, Mr. Greer.

Diomede Reserves v. *Tamar* Reserves, Navy "A" ground. Referee, Mr. Tildesley.

South China "A" v. Sacred Heart, South China ground. Referee, Mr. Ford.

Kowloon Reserves v. University, Kowloon ground. Referee, Mr. Hagen.

Owing to the Club de Recreo being unable to field a side, their match with South China "B" is postponed.

KING'S REGT. v. "DIOMEDE."

The following will represent the King's Regt.:—Blanco Wynne and Williams; Newton, Hodgson and Gregory; Williams; Burnett; Lieut. Jones; Dyer and Beesley.

KING'S REGT. v. "BLUEBELL."

The "King's" team will consist of Holland; McCaa and Crumme; Martin; Cuthlow and Hayter; Love, Moore, Dingerfield, Pyle and Livsey.

THE HARBOUR RACES.

CONCERNING TIDES AND PRIZES.

The Harbour races will commence on Tuesday next. Mrs. Beckwith, wife of the Harbour Master, has kindly consented to present the cups to the winners at the conclusion of the events on Thursday. The prize-giving will take place outside the entrance of the Victoria Recreation Club, and the cups—the Mok Challenge Cup for the Chinese event, presented by Mok Kon Sang, the McKinnon Challenge Cup for the ladies' event, and the Evans Challenge Cup for the open event, together with the minor awards,—will be on view outside the Club during the three days on which the events are held.

The course will be the usual one, starting from the line between the Star Ferry Pier and the Railway wharf at Kowloon, and finishing at the line between the Victoria Recreation Club and Murray Pier. The difference in the rise and fall of tide will be small—on the first day six inches, on the second day two inches, and on the third four inches,—so the competitors should be able to swim a comparatively straight course. Last year the tides were deceptive, but this year it is hoped there will be no tide trouble. Races will commence at 5.30 each evening.

THE HILL TRIALS FOR MOTOR-CYCLES.

FORMULA RESULTS.

The results on formula in connection with the Shaikwan motor-cycle and motor-car hill trials held at Shaikwan Hill on Saturday have now been worked out.

In the motor-car event Mr. C. D. Laubert, who also won on time won on formula. Dr. McKenny, who came in fifth on time gets second place.

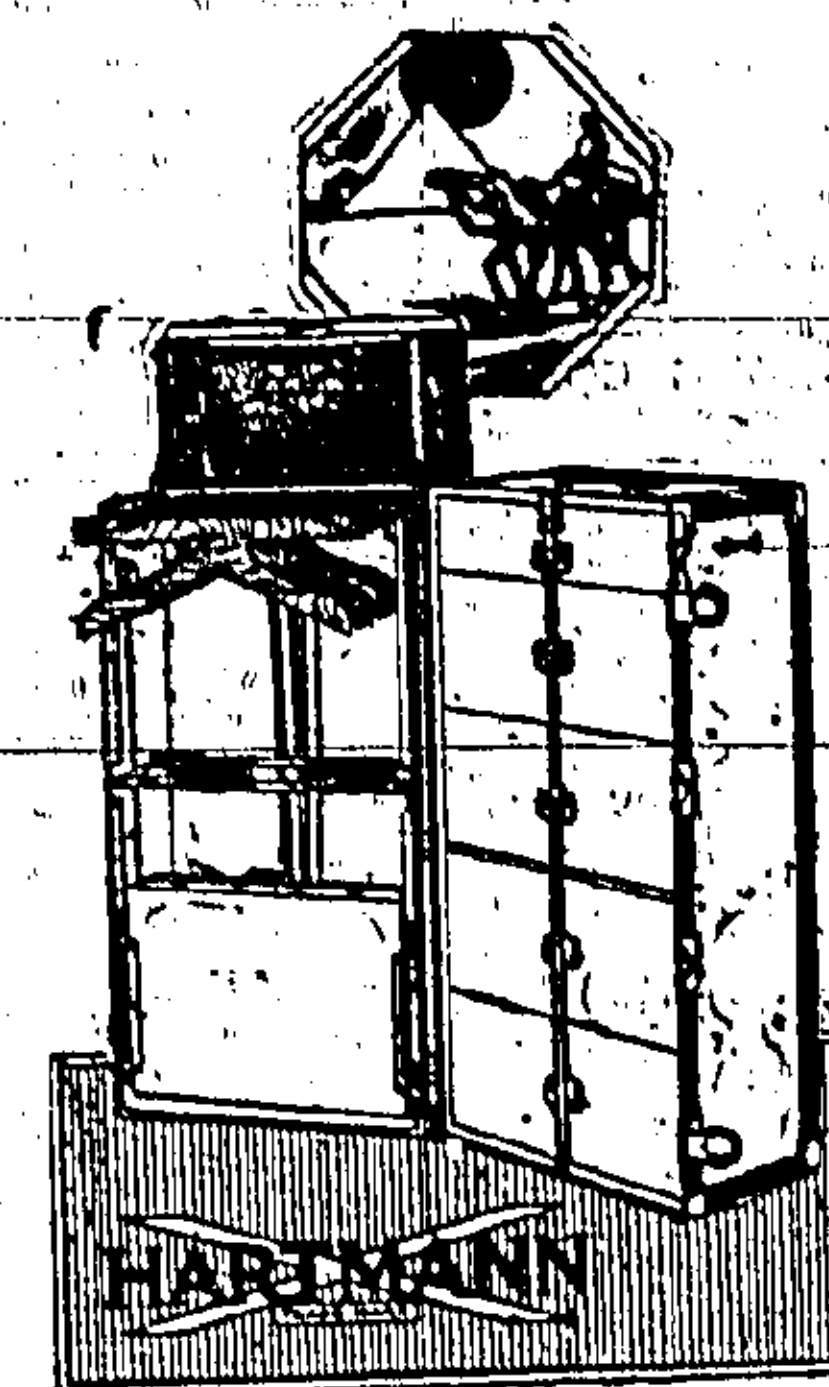
In the cycle combination class Mr. V. Walker, who came in second on time, won on formula. Second place on formula was obtained by Mr. A. Gascen, who was third on time.

In the cycle solo class Mr. F. Baker wins on time and formula. Mr. L. Ellwood, who got sixth place on time, comes second on formula.

A POPULAR PERFORMER.

Once or twice in New York's musical history it has been necessary to erect a temporary railing on the platform of Carnegie Hall to keep the eager listeners from mobbing the performing artists of the occasion. Last winter this device was resorted to at several of the violin recitals given by Jascha Heifetz, the young Russian genius. At each of his appearances in New York, the huge crowd overflowed upon the stage, and three or four hundred had to be seated there in extra chairs. At his first performance the violinist was barely able to get on and off the stage, so demonstrative were his auditors.

Consequently at his subsequent appearances, the management had a little corral constructed about the piano and the space where Heifetz was to stand; the stage seats were thus fenced off securely and the eager crowd held in check. In Chicago this precaution was neglected and the stage hands had to be called upon to act as a guard for Heifetz. They forced a way through the packed stage, so that the virtuoso could reach the front of the platform. As one of the reporters from the *Chicago Journal* said: "It was never before my lot to attend a recital where a guard had to come out to clear a path for the artist to play *cadenza*, but that was what happened at the Heifetz recital."



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Club Representatives are requested to attend a Meeting to receive the Entries and arrange for a Draw on that Date at 6.45 P.M. [1419]

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRD CALL of \$2.50 per Share on each of the 35,000 Shares allotted on the 8th day of NOVEMBER, 1921, has been made by the Company, and that such Call will be payable to the Company's Bankers, THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, in Hongkong, on the 15th day of OCTOBER, 1923.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 8th to 15th October, both days inclusive. For and on behalf of the HONGKONG ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION CO., LTD., **S. C. J. RYNE COOK,** Secretary. Dated the 21st day of September, 1923. [1435]

INTIMATIONS

IN HIS BRITANNIC MAJESTY'S SUPREME COURT FOR CHINA AT SHANGHAI.

IN THE MATTER OF THE CHINA MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE CO., LTD. and IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES ORDINANCES (HONGKONG) 1911 to 1921.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that by an Order dated the 14th day of SEPTEMBER, 1923, this Court has directed separate Meetings of the following Classes of persons, namely:

- The Members of the said Company.
- The Creditors of the said Company other than Policy Holders.
- The Holders of Current Policies with the said Company subject to premiums and carrying the right of participation in future profits and of paid up policies with the said Company carrying such right.
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FOR THE PURPOSE of considering and if thought fit approving with or without modification the scheme of arrangement proposed to be made between the said Company and the said Members, Creditors and Policy Holders respectively AND that such Meetings will be held at the registered and head office of the said Company, No. 10, Canton Road, Shanghai, China, on WEDNESDAY, the 12th day of DECEMBER, 1923, and as regards—

Class A.—At 10 o'clock in the Forenoon.

Class B.—At 11 o'clock in the Forenoon or so soon thereafter as the Meeting of Class A is concluded.

Class C.—At 12 o'clock Noon or so soon thereafter as the Meeting of Class B is concluded.

Class D.—At 2 o'clock in the Afternoon or so soon thereafter as the Meeting of Class C is concluded.

Class E.—At 3 o'clock in the Afternoon or so soon thereafter as the Meeting of Class D is concluded.

AT WHICH PLACE and respective Times all the aforesaid Members, Creditors, and Policy Holders are requested to attend. A copy of the Agreement dated the 20th day of December, 1922, and made between the SUN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF CANADA and the said Company and embodying the said scheme of arrangement can be seen and Forms of Proxy obtained at any of the offices hereinafter mentioned between the hours of 10 A.M. and 12 Noon on any week day previous to the Date of the said Meetings.

The said Members, Creditors and Policy Holders respectively may attend such separate Meetings as aforesaid and vote in person or by Proxy provided that all Proxies given by Members, Creditors and Policy Holders in China or Hongkong must be deposited at the said registered and head office of the said Company at No. 10, Canton Road, Shanghai, China, not later than Seven days before the holding of the said Meetings. All Proxies given by Members, Creditors and Policy Holders in places other than China and Hongkong must be deposited at any one of the following offices of the said Company, namely:

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STRAITS SETTLEMENTS, MALAY STATES AND BRITISH NORTH BORNEO.—2, Finlayson Green, Singapore.

BUENAI.—50/52, Sule Pagoda Street, Rangoon.

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INDO-CHINA.—15, Rue Tabard, Saigon.

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The above scheme will be subject to the subsequent approval of the Court. Dated the 11th day of October, 1923.

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DEATHS.

PERPETUO—At Shanghai, on October 6th, **MARIA ANTONIA**, the beloved wife of J. E. PERPETUO, aged 47.

SIEMSEN—At 51, Christchurch Road, Streatham Hill, on September 6th, **JULIUS SIEMSEN**, aged 55.

Hongkong Office: 14, Chater Road. London Office: 131, Fleet Street, E.C.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, OCTOBER 13TH, 1923.

THE WEIHAIWEI DRAFT AGREEMENT.

The "most emphatic grumble" was published to-day from a property owner at Weihaiwei regarding the draft terms of rendition as they have been published by H.M.'s Legation in Peking is certainly not without justification. We published the full text of the Draft Agreement in our yesterday's issue. The object of the Legation in giving the document wide publicity is presumably to invite the opinions of all interested British subjects, and we may assume that any opinions expressed will be carefully considered by the British authorities before the Agreement is signed. The Agreement is rightly to be judged by the undertakings given by Lord Balfour at the Washington Conference now nearly two years ago. British residents at Weihaiwei who got to know of the nature of the local discussions by the Commission have been very doubtful whether the undertakings adumbrated by Lord Balfour would be carried out in their entirety. The more important of these arrangements were (1) "due safeguarding of foreign property rights"; (2) "adequate representation of foreign interests in municipal affairs"; and (3) "some intimation of the willingness of the Chinese Government to grant facilities for the linking up of Weihaiwei with the hinterland by railway." In all three respects the Draft Agreement does not come up to expectation. We cannot regard it as

"due safeguarding of foreign property rights" when the Agreement requires all holders of land—perpetual lease holders included—to exchange their titles for "leases of thirty years' duration renewable on the same terms at option of the holders." Our correspondent as a holder of freehold land, very pertinently asks whether this means that the lease would be renewable for one further term of thirty years, or renewable every thirty years at the same terms as at present. The intention certainly requires to be more clearly expressed. It is difficult to believe that the intention is to compel freeholders to exchange their titles for, at most, a sixty years' lease; but if the Article means that this thirty-years' lease can be renewed on the expiry of every term, without any extra charge, then for all practical purposes the lease would be "perpetual" and we cannot see why there should be any hesitation to say so in terms which will admit of no future misunderstanding—unless there is some absurd desire to save China's face. Of scarcely less interest are the observations our correspondent makes on the provisions in the Agreement relating to the efficient government of the municipal area, and to the way in which Lord Balfour's "adequate representation of foreign interests in municipal affairs" has been interpreted. Instead of a Municipal Council, with powers, such as every Treaty port possesses, there is to be an "Advisory Council" consisting of not less than two foreign members and not more than five Chinese members, who are to advise the Chinese Administrator of the territory in all matters connected with the municipal services and municipal administration of Port Edward. If the Chinese Administration could be reasonably depended on to fulfil the obligation in Article 12 to maintain "efficiently such municipal services within the area as roads, bridges, drains, piers, lighting, sanitation and restriction of noxious trades," then there would be little objection to the proportion of foreign representation on the Council; but because it is common knowledge that there is not a city or town in China where such conditions are "efficiently maintained," a foreign minority on this Council is to be greatly deplored. The provision that the existing municipal regulations and policing shall be maintained "as far as possible" for a period of ten years, should, however, prove some guarantee of satisfactory municipal government during that time, but a very great deal must depend upon the kind of Administrator the territory gets and the adequacy of the funds assigned for the efficient maintenance of the municipal services. It will be a matter for great regret if more adequate guarantees in this latter respect are not inserted before the Agreement is signed.

Golfers will be interested to see that five holes of the Happy Valley course will be open for play to-morrow. The Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang is down with dengue. There have been quite a number of cases among the European community lately.

Hongkong is to have a visit from the world-renowned violinist, Jascha Heifetz who is announced to give a grand violin recital in the Theatre Royal on Monday, October 29th. The Medical Officer of Health's return yesterday showed three Chinese cases of small-pox notified in the preceding twenty-four hours and one British case of paratyphoid. Mr. Isaac Mann Shields, late managing-director of the P. & O. Co., and a director of the British-India Steam Navigation Company, who died on July 31st, has left estate of the gross value of £26,101, with net personality £26,866.

Mr. G. C. M. Vereker, M.C., has arrived in Peking, to take up the post of second secretary of H.B.M. Legation. Mr. Vereker, who served in the war with the Grenadier Guards, has since 1919 been on the staff of the British Residency in Cairo. A Chinese woman, an earth cooler, employed by the Yee Tak contractor's firm, was badly injured last night on Thursday owing to a stone falling on her whilst she was working in Chamberlain Road. On the same day another earth cooler, a man, had his leg fractured by a falling boulder whilst working on the Morrison Hill reclamation scheme.

Five police recruits arrived from Hongkong yesterday by the s.s. Kalgan—Messrs. Higman, Bradshell, Darkin, O'Sullivan and McMahon. Three of them served in the Royal Irish Constabulary and one in the Coventry City Police. The fifth is an ex-naval man.

Mr. Archibald Rose, C.I.E., left London for China on September 7th, proceeding via the Siberian route. So far, a London contemporary understands, few, or no travellers have gone eastwards over the railway, though there have been several arrivals from the Far East. Mr. Rose's experiences will be interesting to note. Mrs. Rose will not accompany him, but proceeds by the sea route in a few months' time.

Sir Charles Eliot, British Ambassador at Tokyo, being on leave in England, escaped the disaster in Japan. At the same time, says a correspondent in a London paper, he will feel that he ought to be at his post. "I have never known a man so totally regardless of danger in any form. Many years ago, when he was a junior secretary at the Constantinople Embassy, he started off for a holiday all alone into one of the most unsafe and disturbed districts of Central Asia. How he ever got back alive no one ever knew."

A Commission is now in the Philippine Islands to investigate the possibilities of rubber plantation in the islands. It is stated that the party intends to make a thorough investigation especially in the province of Cotabato, which produces the greater portion of crude rubber production in the islands. Dr. H. N. Whitford, formerly chief of the division of investigation of the bureau of forestry, is the man in charge of the work of rubber plantation possibilities in the Philippines and Brazil, so that the party in the Philippine Islands will report to him. It is understood that it was through Dr. Whitford's efforts that money has been appropriated by the United States Government to conduct rubber investigations in the Philippines and in South America.

"Why do the P.W.D. people select the present time to put a lot of sand on the roads and the Sanitary Department spend their time in sweeping it up?" writes a correspondent in reference to our note yesterday on missing watercarts. Our correspondent suggests that we should persuade the D.P.W. to take a stroll down Queen's Road East, or along the Praya, from Blake Pier to Whitty Street—and make it a condition that he does not take a thermos flask, while the responsibility for laying sand on the roads at the present time must rest with the D.P.W.; the whole of his fellow members of the Sanitary Board should make the journey our correspondent suggests, for it is the business of the Sanitary Department to attend to the laying of the dust in our thoroughfares. "I fancy," adds our correspondent, "that there is a selfish that salt water spoils the roads; much better spoil them than for the people to have their systems ruined by imbibing so much dust and so many filthy germs."

WEDDING.

PURSLOW-SMITH.

The wedding was solemnised at the Union Church, on Thursday, of Captain Percival Reginald Purslow and Miss Mary Elizabeth Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Smith, of Greenock, Scotland. The Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald officiated. The bridegroom, who is the present master of the s.s. *Sui Fung*, has been in the employment of Messrs. Butterfield & Swire for nineteen years, and it is also interesting to note that the bride's father was with the same firm for 29 years.

The bride was given away by Mr. Duncan McNeill. She wore a dress of white georgette over silver lace, with a cream picture hat to match, and carried a bouquet of cream roses, white heather and orange blossom. The matron of honour was Mrs. Herbert Sutor, who wore a dress of rose coloured georgette with over-dress of French filled silk lace and a black picture hat. Her bouquet was of Honolulu creeper. Mr. R. Rowe was "best man."

At the conclusion of the ceremony a reception was held at the Hongkong Hotel, and later Capt. and Mrs. Purslow left for Macao, where the honeymoon is to be spent. The bride's going away dress was of shell pink crepe de chine with picture hat.

CABLES.

LATEST CABLES.
[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

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PAPYRUS DEVELOPS
LAMENESS.
HARD BELMONT PARK TRACK
BLAMED.

New York, October 11th.
Papyrus developed a slight lameness in the right fore ankle after a gallop at mid-day yesterday. His trainer, Jarvis, while plainly worried, declared that he was hopeful the injury would be overcome long before the race.

The hard dirt track at Belmont Park is blamed for the lameness.

EMPIRE COTTON GROWING
CORPORATION.SPINNERS TO PAY LEVY ON
PURCHASES.

LONDON, October 11th.
At a meeting of the administrative council of the Empire Cotton Growing Corporation held in London on October 10th, it was announced that 508 firms of spinners had elected to pay, through their brokers, a levy of six pence per 500 lbs. on cotton purchased under the Cotton Industry Act. One hundred and ninety-seven firms had not replied and only eight preferred to pay the charge direct to the corporation.

MISHAP TO SS. "MONTORO".
AGROUND IN TORRES STRAITS.

LONDON, October 11th.
The steamer *Montoro* from Singapore has grounded in the Torres Straits. Attempts to refloat her are proceeding.

MURDERERS OF SPANISH
PREMIER.

SENTENCED TO DEATH.

MADRID, October 11th.
Mateo and Nicolau have been sentenced to death for complicity in the murder of the Premier, Signor Dato, in March 1921. Seven others have been acquitted.

EARLIER CABLES.

ANOTHER CRISIS IN
GERMANY.
NATIONALISTS WALK OUT OF
REICHSTAG.

BERLIN, October 11th.
The Reichstag by 253 to 17 votes, with one abstention, passed the first part of the Emergency Law Bill. The second part also passed; but when the whole Bill was put to the vote the Nationalists walked out and the Reichstag adjourned till Saturday, as the necessary quorum of two-thirds of the house was not present. If the Bill be not passed, the Reichstag will be dissolved.

Herr Stresemann, after the Reichstag vote, visited President Ebert, who authorised a dissolution of the Emergency Law be not passed in its entirety.

MACHINATIONS OF THE K.K.K.
THE OKLAHOMA CRISIS.

OKLAHOMA, October 11th.
The final struggle between the legislative and executive forces of the State began with a meeting of the Legislature in an extraordinary session which is expected to result in the impeachment of Governor Walton. In a message read at the opening of the Assembly the Governor alleged that "the super-government of the Ku-Klux-Klan" is undermining the very foundations of the State, and the present conflict is between "the visible and invisible governments." The Governor charged the Klan with responsibility for innumerable outrages, and produced transcripts of the evidence given before tribunals, which he asked the Legislature to investigate.

CHEAP AVIATION.
LONDON TO ROME FOR TWENTY
SHILLINGS.

LONDON, October 11th.
The weather was fairly good at Lympne. Captain Macmillan on a Parcell-Pixie machine broke the speed record of 903 miles an hour, covering twenty-five miles at an average speed of 73.1 miles.

Flight Lieutenant Longton rounded the course on a petrol consumption equivalent to a gallon to 67.1 miles, equalling Jimmy James' record. Hitherto Hinkler has completed 812 miles, maintaining the lead in the reliability test. It is calculated that this means it is possible for a pilot to fly from London to Rome at an expenditure of only twenty shillings on fuel.

THE EMPIRE CONFERENCE.

DOMINIONS FAVOUR LEAGUE
OF NATIONS.

LONDON, October 11th.

The afternoon session of the Imperial Conference was devoted to speeches by the Dominion delegates on Lord Robert Cecil's statement on the work of the League of Nations. Reuter learns that the speeches, which will not be published till to-morrow, revealed striking unanimity of the Dominion representatives on the necessity for the existence of the League of Nations. It is felt on all sides that without such a body as an effective league, another conflict will be almost inevitable in Europe, since which the Dominions are bound to be drawn.

WORK OF L.O.N. REVIEWED.

LONDON, October 11th.

At the Imperial Conference Mr. Baldwin read a reply by the Japanese Government to the Conference's message of sympathy on the earthquake, saying the cordial sentiments of representative statesmen of the British Empire for the old, never-failing ally, Japan, had deeply moved the Japanese nation and given it energy and reassurance in taking up the task of reconstruction.

FULL MEETING OF CONFERENCE
ON MONDAY.

LONDON, October 11th.

The full meeting of the Imperial Conference has been adjourned to Monday. There will be only committee work to-morrow. Various matters, including Overseas settlement and the question of patents, were discussed to-day by the committee of the Economic Conference, which again meets in full session next week. Their Majesties entertained the Conference delegates, with their ladies, to dinner at Buckingham Palace to-night. Their Majesties mingled with their guests in the drawing room after dinner.

DEFENCE OF DUTCH EAST
INDIES.THE QUESTION OF WARSHIP
CONSTRUCTION.

THE HAGUE, October 11th.
In the Second Chamber, Herr Troelstra, head of the Social-Democrats, interpreted the Government with reference to the crisis caused by the decision immediately to introduce a Bill for the construction of a fleet for defence of the Dutch East Indies. He asked if the international situation justified this unexpected haste, or if anything had happened behind the scenes. The Premier, Herr Van der Broek, replied that there was no question of foreign pressure or diplomatic obligations. It was solely in order that Holland might execute her obligations of neutrality to the Indies that she required a fleet. Herr Colijn, Minister of Finance pointed out that the Bill did not increase the burdens of the Budget of the Netherlands, but only the Budget of the Indies.

A "QUALIFIED THEFT"
IN MANILA.

EXPRESS CO.'S LOSS OF P.105,787.

Manila, October 11th.
Mamerto Valdelon, former stenographer at the American Express Co., will have to serve seven years, four months and one day imprisonment and indemnify the American Express Co. in the sum of P.105,787.61, by virtue of a decision handed down in the city court of first instance last week. Valdelon has been found guilty of qualified theft of money, cheques and other mercantile documents belonging to the company which employed him. Pedro Bagabaldo, charged with being an accessory in the theft, has also been found guilty of the charge and sentenced to one year and ten days imprisonment and to indemnify the company in whatever sum Valdelon should fail to return to the company.

SEPARATE TRIALS ASKED.

The city fiscal's office filed a complaint for qualified theft against Mamerto Valdelon, Julian Flora, Atanacio Valdelon, Gregorio Elbo and Pedro Bagabaldo, but Atanacio Valdelon and Gregorio Elbo asked for separate trials and their case is still pending. Julian Flora was later utilized as witness for the prosecution and the case against him was dismissed.

The theft was committed in the office of the American Express Company about the middle of September, 1922, when an iron box containing P.9,234.75 and another iron safe containing P.92,500 disappeared, together with a cheque of the Philippine National Bank in the amount of P.25, cash amounting to P.543.05, "values" in the sum of P.92,200 and several travel cheques in the sum of P.3,400. The total sum stolen was P.105,787.61.

The evidence of the prosecution, the court said in the decision, "proved that Mamerto Valdelon, being at the time stenographer of the American Express Company, and as such having free access to the different rooms in the building, succeeded in discovering the combination of the lock of the safe and on September 15th, 1922, opened the safe and took away with him money in cash, cheques and other valuable papers. The evidence, the court found, also proved that Pedro Bagabaldo, while not taking active part in the theft, helped Valdelon to hide money and papers. On this account both were found guilty of qualified theft."

FAR EASTERN CABLE
NEWS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PEKING POLITICS.

NATIONAL CONSTITUTION PASSES
THIRD READING.

PEKING, October 9th.

The National Constitution passed the third reading yesterday and will be proclaimed on Wednesday.

SUGGESTED RESTORATION OF
KWANGCHOWWAN.

PEKING, October 9th.

The House of Representatives passed a resolution asking the Government to negotiate with France for the restoration of Kwangchowwan.

CONSTITUTION OF THE CHINESE
REPUBLIC.

PEKING, October 10th.

The Constitution, which is being promulgated this morning, has taken several years to complete. It contains nothing startling, but much in accordance with the constitutions of other countries. It consists of thirteen sections or chapters, in which there are one hundred and forty-one articles.

The first section states that the form of Government is to be an Unified Republic.

The second section states that sovereignty will be vested in the people.

The third section states that the territory consists of all Chinese possessions.

The fourth section contains articles 4 to 21 and embodies the rights, duties and privileges of citizens.

The fifth section comprises articles 22 to 28 setting out national powers over legislation, funds, mines, education, taxes, etc.

The sixth section embodies articles 159 to 170 covering the functions of Parliament, its composition, powers, mode of election, etc.

The seventh section covers articles 71 to 91 setting out the President's powers and duties.

The eighth section contains articles 92 to 99 relating to the Cabinet.

The ninth section contains articles 100 to 102 relating to the Judiciary.

The tenth section contains articles 103 to 108 relating to law.

The eleventh section contains articles 109 to 123 relating to the Budget.

The twelfth section contains articles 124 to 135 covering Local Government.

The thirteenth section contains articles 136 to 141 and covers Constitutional amendments.

PEKING IN GALA ATTIRE.

PEKING, October 10th.

The streets were illuminated and brightly lit last night, and heavily guarded this morning. Extra troops were brought in from Pootung yesterday.

President Tsao Kun arrived at seven this morning and proceeded to the Presidential Palace, where he will be inaugurated at nine o'clock. Tsao Kun will proceed to Parliament at ten, where he will participate in the promulgation of the Constitution, afterwards taking the Presidential Oath.

TSAO KUN'S INAUGURAL ADDRESS.

MANY REFORMS PROMISED.

PEKING, October 10th.
Marshal Tsao Kun, in his inaugural address, remarked that previous Presidents had been handicapped by the absence of a national constitution, but in that respect he was more fortunate than his predecessors. He declared that urgent attention would be paid to education. Military and other expenses should be reduced and he hoped to unify the country by bringing together men of various talents. The country must fulfil its treaty obligations and readjust foreign debts, thereby promoting friendly relations with foreign Powers.

After the President had taken the oath he retired to the rest room at Parliament House, but he subsequently carried out the ceremony of terminating the session.

This afternoon the President received congratulations from the Manchou House Princes and other notable personages. Three days holiday has been proclaimed.

EXPENDITURE ON SINGAPORE NAVAL BASE.

L.O.N. SUGGEST DELAY.

LONDON, October 11th.
The executive committee of the League of Nations Union at its meeting in London to-day unanimously passed a resolution suggesting to the Government that the effect of the earthquake on the Japanese fleet and naval establishments be considered at the conference on the extension of the terms of the Washington Convention, which is being held in Geneva next year, and that meanwhile no further expenditure be incurred in developing the base at Singapore.

FOOTBALL.

CHINA DEFEATS VICTORIA.

MELBOURNE, October 10th.
In the Association Football match between China and Victoria, China won by three goals to nil.

[Soccer is not a popular game in Victoria, the big events being confined to the Australian game.]

SIDELIGHTS ON THE EARTH-
QUAKE DISASTER.

THE INEVITABLE COMPARISON.

The Japanese says *The Times* correspondent, "regard the catastrophe as costing Japan in life and treasure far more than a first-class war." The comparison was inevitable, and the estimate is probably correct, writes "Observer."

The cost of the war of 1870-71 to France was £30,000,000, and Britain spent £222,000,000 on the South African Campaign. It may well be that Japan's loss lies well over these totals. The *Asahi* puts the damage in Tokyo alone at 500 millions, and other calculations of the total loss run to more than that amount.

Even France's reparations of 1,300 millions for the last war shows that the German Army, doing its worst, cannot do as much destruction in a year as an earthquake can do in a day.

As for the loss of life, which is estimated at half a million, one has only to remember that the total Japanese casualties (killed and wounded) in the war with Russia (1905) were only 107,702, and the German losses in 1870-71 only 127,867. The struggle of 1914-18 was on a different scale; but even so, Japan has probably lost more lives in the earthquake than either Italy (100,000) or Serbia (322,000) in the four years of slaughter.

It seems natural that an earthquake country should have an earthquake architecture, and we shall watch with interest to see whether Tokyo and Yokohama are rebuilt on the old model. A business city of the Western type cannot be constructed of lath and paper, in the native Japanese style; but the death-roll of last week is a terrible price to pay following a foreign fashion. Gas, too, seems to be a Western invention ill-adapted to the instability of the Japanese soil; the fires which wrought so much havoc were largely due to broken gas mains. But earthquake memories are short, and the economic reasons for a stone Tokyo may be stronger than the self-protection reasons for a paper one.

EARTHQUAKE LOOT.

THE CASE OF YOKOHAMA.

Too little attention, the *Japan Chronicle* says, has been drawn to one of the greatest scandals of the recent catastrophe, namely, the failure of the Japanese Government to protect property after the earthquake and fire. Writing from the foreign angle, although this governmental failure is undoubtedly a gross demonstration of all property involved, it is natural to emphasise foreign losses of the kind. It is now evident that no protection was given to foreigners against looting, and in strict equity the Government should be held responsible for all such losses. There is an increasing conviction in this sense among those who, in addition to losing their homes and sources of livelihood owing to the disaster, have lost all their remaining belongings due to government failure to function in the crisis. Officially, both Japanese and foreign, are beginning to face this neglected problem.

Our contemporary is informed that three well-known residents of the port, on the morning of the 5th September, called on the Commandant of the Japanese troops stationed at the British Coal Depot. The following is what actually passed between them, in the words of one of them: "We had the greatest difficulty in getting into his presence. We finally succeeded and laid the case before him. He flatly refused any assistance, stating that in a few days soldiers would patrol the Bluff. We explained that already houses had been looted and that only a night or two previously, ten robbers had been in my house, lifting most of our clothing and other and other valuables. This rather seemed to amuse the Commandant, and he said that he was very sorry for us. The argument was put forth finally that if he sent one soldier to my house, he would have to send a soldier to guard every other house on the Bluff. We explained that we were only one or two houses left standing. The Commandant finally dismissed the whole matter by saying that he could not do anything for us. We were very disappointed and discouraged, and left the Commandant and ascended the Bluff to inspect some unburnt houses, but found they had been entirely looted. There was nothing of value left beyond furniture."

It is declared that one single foreign residence that withstood earthquake and fire was subsequently looted of property valued at upwards of £100,000 and from that instance the extent of the looting of foreigners may be visualised.

LOSSES FROM CUSTOMS WAREHOUSES.

The *Osaka Jiji* reports that from September 2nd to 3rd the Yokohama Customs and other warehouses were ransacked by looters and cleared of their contents, drugs, machinery—everything. Despite the strenuous efforts by the Army and the Civil Police to locate the stolen goods, a very small percentage has been recovered. The losses are estimated at ¥220,000,000 by the authorities, says the *Jiji*. It may be noted that the *Japan Chronicle* states that the figures do not include the private property stolen from the safes at foreign firms, the lost from foreign and Japanese houses, and other losses from robbery.

PROPOSED SHANGHAI
TEXTILE SCHOOL.

GLASGOW OPPOSITION.

The Glasgow Chamber of Commerce declared unanimously on September 10th it was opposed to the use of part of the British share of the Boxer fund in the training of Chinese textile managers. The President said the Manchester Chamber of Commerce had not expressed any strong opinion on the subject because its members included textile manufacturers. The position is, however, that the Manchester Chamber has referred the matter to the Executive Committee of the China and Far East Section, on which the Chamber's report for last April said: "The leading Manchester firms who have interests in China are represented, and it was carefully considered. The result, as set out in a letter to the British Government, was that they wished the money to be applied in the furtherance of a broader scheme. Special suggestions made included the education of Chinese in British schools and colleges in China, the establishment of a technical college in North China for development of agriculture, agriculture, etc., the support of a few Chinese pursuing post-graduate medical work in China and to Chinese medical students, lectures in this country on Chinese life and customs, and scholarships for travel in China to be awarded to properly qualified young men of British birth."

An Indian paper furnishes us with a recent specimen of "English as the *Asahi* wrote." It is copy of a letter sent by a lady teacher to the Director of Education, Manila, and reads: "Dear Sir, I have the honour to resign as my works are mainly and my salary are few. Besides which my supervising teacher makes many things to me to which I only reply 'Oh yes.' Oh yes!"—Very respectfully, Josefina."

JAPAN INSURANCE
PROBLEMS.

LONDON VIEWS.

From *Home* papers of September 13th we make the following extracts:—

"The Marine Insurance Market still has hanging over it the possibility of serious losses caused by the Japanese disaster. A message received by Messrs. Alfred Holt & Co. from Kobe, indicating that 'some lighters were more or less damaged,' suggested that, as regards the risk of loss of goods in craft, matters might have been worse. The suggestion that British insurance companies with head offices in Hongkong and Shanghai must be very hard hit is not borne out by facts, and there is no reason for anticipating losses will be exceptionally heavy. In the non-marine market the reaction after the earthquake has resulted in a distinct stimulus to business in Japan and elsewhere. The rate charged appears to vary from £2 per cent. on locations in Kobe, about double the rate charged before the disaster, to £1 per cent. by Manila and 10s. per cent. in Shanghai and the Straits. The loss of £100,000 for the Grand Hotel, Yokohama, was carried at 30s. per cent. It was well spread over the market, being shared by Lloyd's and a leading company.

Heavy losses have been indicated upon several Bradford export merchants by the Japanese catastrophe. Bradford firms have done trade with Japan this year to the value of over £4,000,000, and although most of the goods represented by this sum have been paid for, there are cases where firms have shipped big quantities of cloth in Japan, and had considerable quantities of such goods warehoused in Yokohama, and probably destroyed. Japanese buyers are making cancellations of the orders.

The subject of insurable 'risks' is very much to the fore at the moment. Amongst others that have been done, we may note that a rate of 10s. per £100 for 12 months has been quoted on various 'risks' in the Federated Malay States.

THE LEGAL ASPECT.

The *Law Journal* discussing the Japanese catastrophe in relation to insurance states:—

Immense as are the consequences of the earthquake disaster in Japan, it is bound to have its reflection in the legal world. Insurers and insured alike have interests which are work-a-days, and underwriters and insurance companies have their own special problems arising from the large extension of reinsurance risks which, in the case of Japanese concerns, are known to have been very freely undertaken. In many fire policies the earthquake risk has been expressly excluded, but this has rarely been done in the case of life insurances, and marine underwriters have not usually included it in their exception clauses.

The law on the subject was discussed very fully in the leading case of *Total Broadhurst & Co. v. Commercial Union Assurance Co. (1908)*, in which claims arising out of the fire at Kingston, Jamaica, after a great earthquake there, came up for consideration. The policies contained exceptions for the fall of buildings or damage by fire in consequence of earthquake, and the rule of law which was then laid down by Mr. Justice Bigham (now Lord Mersey) in his charge to the jury was that the onus of proof of the facts giving rise to the exception was on the insurers, and that if the first was set in operation by natural causes without the intervention of any other cause, i.e., spread by wind or by one thing catching fire from another, then the verdict must be for the defence in the question.

The general rule in insurance law which governs cases, where the loss is not occasioned by the direct action of fire, is that 'the proximate and not the remote cause of the loss is to be regarded,' and so if houses are blown up by the authorities to prevent the fire from spreading, or if property is stolen as a consequence of its withdrawal from the effective control of the assured on the happening of the fire, it is a loss within the policy, as the fire regarded as the proximate cause.

'Special complications, of course, arise in the case of freight insurances, where goods are insured from warehouse to warehouse, and of ships in harbour, which may have been lost or damaged as the result of the disturbance caused by the earthquake, but the general principle applies also in these cases, and it is to be remembered always that the burden of bringing any claim within the exceptions is on the underwriters, and not on the assured.'

NEW BRITISH WARSHIPS.

NINE 16-INCH GUNS IN TRIPLE
TURRETS.

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ELECTION BRIBERY AT
PEKING.

INTERESTING LEGAL ACTION.

Mr. Shao Jui-Peng, a Member of the House of Representatives, who was given a cheque for five thousand dollars to vote for Marshal Tsao Kun in the coming Presidential Election, has taken legal action, the *Far Eastern Times* says, against the Peking election agents, Messrs. Kao Ling Wei, Wang Yu Chi, Chen Shou Chiang, Wu Ching-Lien and others.

In a petition submitted to the Peking District Procuratorate Mr. Shao says that on the 1st inst. he was given through Mr. Wang Lieh, his fellow provincial and an M.P., a cheque for five thousand dollars to be drawn from the To Lu Bank. The cheque was not fully dated and was signed 'Chieh Chi' and chopped.

According to Mr. Shao, the accused, Messrs. Kao, Wang, Pien and Wu, have established their headquarters at Kan Shih Chiao in the West City of Peking where scandalous transactions, bribing the M.P.'s, have been going on. On the 1st inst. in the name of the 'Kan Shih Chiao Club' circulars were issued to more than five hundred M.P.'s inviting them to discuss some 'important matters' that is, to receive cheques. Mr. Shao learns, as he says in the petition, that more than five hundred such cheques were prepared and some one hundred and ninety M.P.'s received them in person. While others were delivered through go-betweens. This was personally handled by the accused, Messrs. Kao, Wang, Pien and Wu.

When he was handed the cheque, Mr. Shou kept it and had both sides photographed. Copies of the photographs were enclosed in the petition. Mr. Shao points out that the accused have violated Articles 142, 83 and Section 2 of Article 159 of the Criminal Code and he requests the Procuratorate immediately to start investigations into the case. As Tsao Kun, Wang Chen Ping, Hsiung Ping Chi, Wu Yu Lin and Liu Meng Keng are military and naval men Mr. Shao is prepared to bring legal action against them at the Ministries of the Army and of the Navy.

Fearing that under the influence of the election agents in Peking the Court may not be able to do justice and have the case properly dealt with, Mr. Shao has sent out a circular telegram placing the case before the whole nation.

CHINA'S CUSTOMS REVENUE
DISAPPOINTING.The *Far Eastern Times* (Peking), of October 4th says:—

With reference to our announcement of yesterday that the net customs revenue for September, 1922, was less by Taels 400,000 than the net revenue for September 1922, we are now informed that the customs net revenue collection for the first nine months of this year is only about Shanghai Taels 3,000,000 over last year's net collection for the same period, while the cost of the foreign loans and of the indemnity charged on this revenue, for the first nine months of this year, is Shanghai Taels 6,000,000 more than it was for the corresponding period last year. The increase in the cost of these foreign obligations for the first nine months of this year, as compared with last year, is therefore twice as large as the increase in the net revenue collection for the same period.

SHORT OF EXPECTATIONS.

From this above it is apparent that the effective 5 per cent. import tariff has not brought in the rich revenue harvest that was so confidently expected by some. This, of course, is partly due to world-wide depressed trade conditions, to the grave disorders that have prevailed, and still do prevail, in many provinces of China, to the boycott of Japanese goods that was so actively maintained during the summer, to the recent Japanese earthquake disaster, and to the general uncertainty owing to disturbed political conditions.

On the other hand the cost of the foreign loans and of the indemnity has risen owing to (I.) the fall in exchange, which is much below last year's level, and (II.) the large sums required to meet the gold Boxer Indemnity payments and (III.) the fact that the instalments for the redemption of the 1913 Reorganization Loan fell due from July this year.

It is evident that, unless a great increase in the revenue collected takes place, no drawings of loans in the Consolidated Loan Service can possibly take place before the end of the year; and it is even more evident that there will be no revenue surplus available for any purpose whatever.

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*Schoer	12,300 tons	1st half of January, 1924.
*Albert Vogler	9,000 tons	1st half of February, 1924.

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SPECIAL FESTIVAL IN 1925.

The St. George's Hall at Liverpool was crowded to its utmost capacity on Sept. 5th when, for the first time in the history of organized Freemasonry, the United Grand Lodge of England met outside London, under the presidency of Lord Amphil, the Pro-Grand Master.

Grand Lodge in December of last year made a change in the Book of Constitutions by which it was provided that the quarterly meetings in March, June, and December shall be held in London, while the meeting in September shall be held in such places as may from time to time be decided by the Grand Master, the Duke of Connaught. At the quarterly communication of June it was announced that the Provincial Grand Lodge of West Lancashire had extended an invitation for the September meeting to be held in Liverpool; and that the Grand Master had signified his desire that it should be held in that city accordingly. As showing the interest evoked by the new departure, it was reported to Grand Lodge that over 3,500 applications to be present had been received from brethren qualified to attend, and as St. George's Hall could not accommodate for such an occasion more than 2,500, an appointment of places had had to be made with a view to securing an equitable and widespread representation of the lodges.

The report of the Board of General Purposes, which was adopted on the motion of the President, Sir Alfred Robbins, stated that complete success had attended the visit of the Pro-Grand Master, Lord Amphil, and other Grand Officers to Canada in July. A report on the visit is being drawn up for submission to the Grand Master, and is to be circulated to Grand Lodge in due course. The report also stated that a number of lodges have received copies of an address given under the auspices of a Masonic body not recognized by the United Grand Lodge of England having reference to a matter which is one of international politics. The circulation of such a document in the lodges, it was added, is a violation of the immemorial and invariable rule of English Freemasonry to take no part in the affairs of State, whether national or international, and the Board trusts that all such attempts at political propaganda among Masons as such will cease.

The report continued:—"The Board once more appeals to the brethren generally to take every means in their power to discountenance the use of advertisement in any form in connection with the craft. It repeats the conviction that it is in the highest degree undesirable that endeavours should be made in this way to secure personal, professional, or sectional advantage, while any attempted association of Masonry with business development is always to be deplored. In this connection it would emphatically deprecate the exhibition in public of Masonic certificates, which are sometimes shown on business premises for what can only be considered trade purposes."

It was added that there has of late been brought to the knowledge of the Board an increase in the practice of circulating to leading brethren in various parts of the country begging letters professing to be issued by Masons in distressed circumstances, and even going to the length of enclosing promissory notes, already stamped, seeking for immediate pecuniary aid. In one instance, which has been investigated, the writer of such a letter had no account open at the bank on which the note was drawn, and the Board suggests that in all such cases the brethren appealed to should at once forward the communication to the Grand Secretary, as this would be the means of stopping a practice which in an especial degree is derogatory to Freemasonry.

A report was presented by Sir Alfred Robbins, as chairman of the special committee of Grand Lodge, on the Masonic Million Peace Memorial Fund, stating that it had under its careful consideration a detailed report upon suggestions for plans and designs for the proposed new building in Great Queen Street. Confidence was expressed that previous to the next quarterly communication in December it will be in a position to lay before Grand Lodge a statement which will enable such plans to be invited. It was added that there had been appointed a sub-committee to frame the preliminary plans for a special festival in aid of the fund, at which the Grand Master has expressed his hope to preside, and the committee trusted that it will be possible, with the consent of the Grand Master, to hold the festival in the summer of early autumn of 1925.

After Lord Amphil had made a sympathetic reference to the Japanese earthquake disaster and mentioned that English lodges met in Tokyo and Yokohama, Grand Lodge unanimously decided to vote a sum of 2,000 guineas from its fund of benevolence towards the relief of the distress caused by the earthquake.

On the motion of Sir Alfred Robbins, seconded by Sir Frederick Halsey, Lord Amphil was advised to allow his full-length portrait to be painted and hung in Freemasons' Hall in recognition of his services for thirty-two years as Provincial Grand Master of Bedfordshire and for fifteen years as Pro Grand Master. Mr. Edward Lowther was nominated as Grand Treasurer for the ensuing year.—Times.

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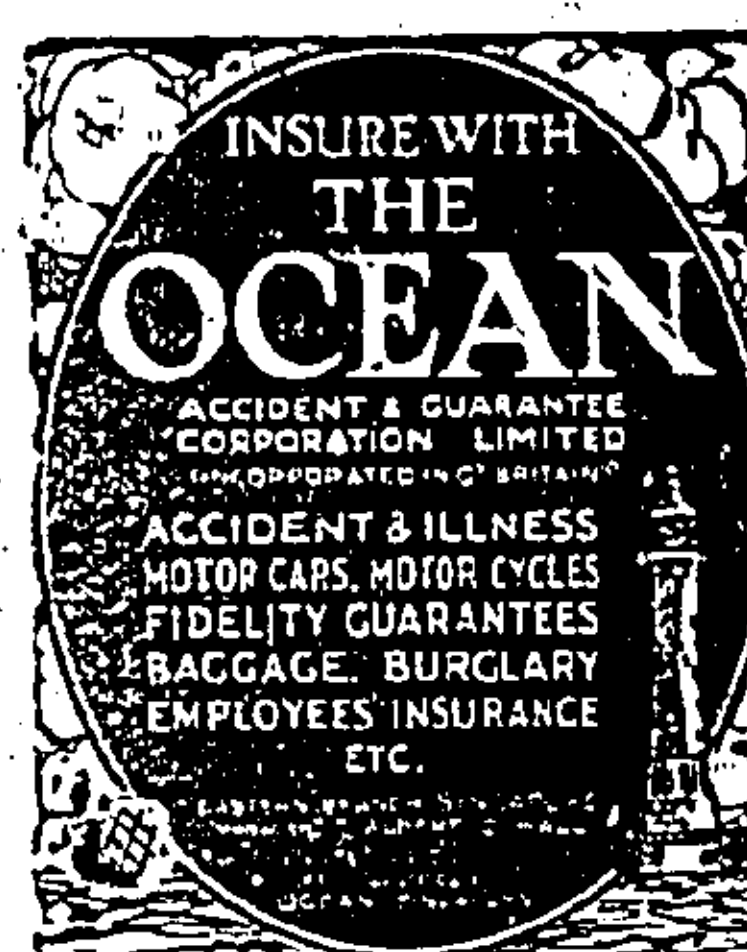
After all, the digestive system isn't cast iron. Really, it is of a delicate, complex character, all too liable to become a little deranged, perhaps through some apparently trifling cause. Many a man or woman will feel well to-day. Then, to-morrow, up goes the temperature a few degrees, and that same man or woman is so on conscious of lost appetite and decreased vigour.

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MANILA via SWATOW	...	"YATSHING"	Friday, 19th Oct. D.L.
HAIPHONG via HOIHOW	...	"WINGSANG"	Friday, 19th Oct. 3 p.m.
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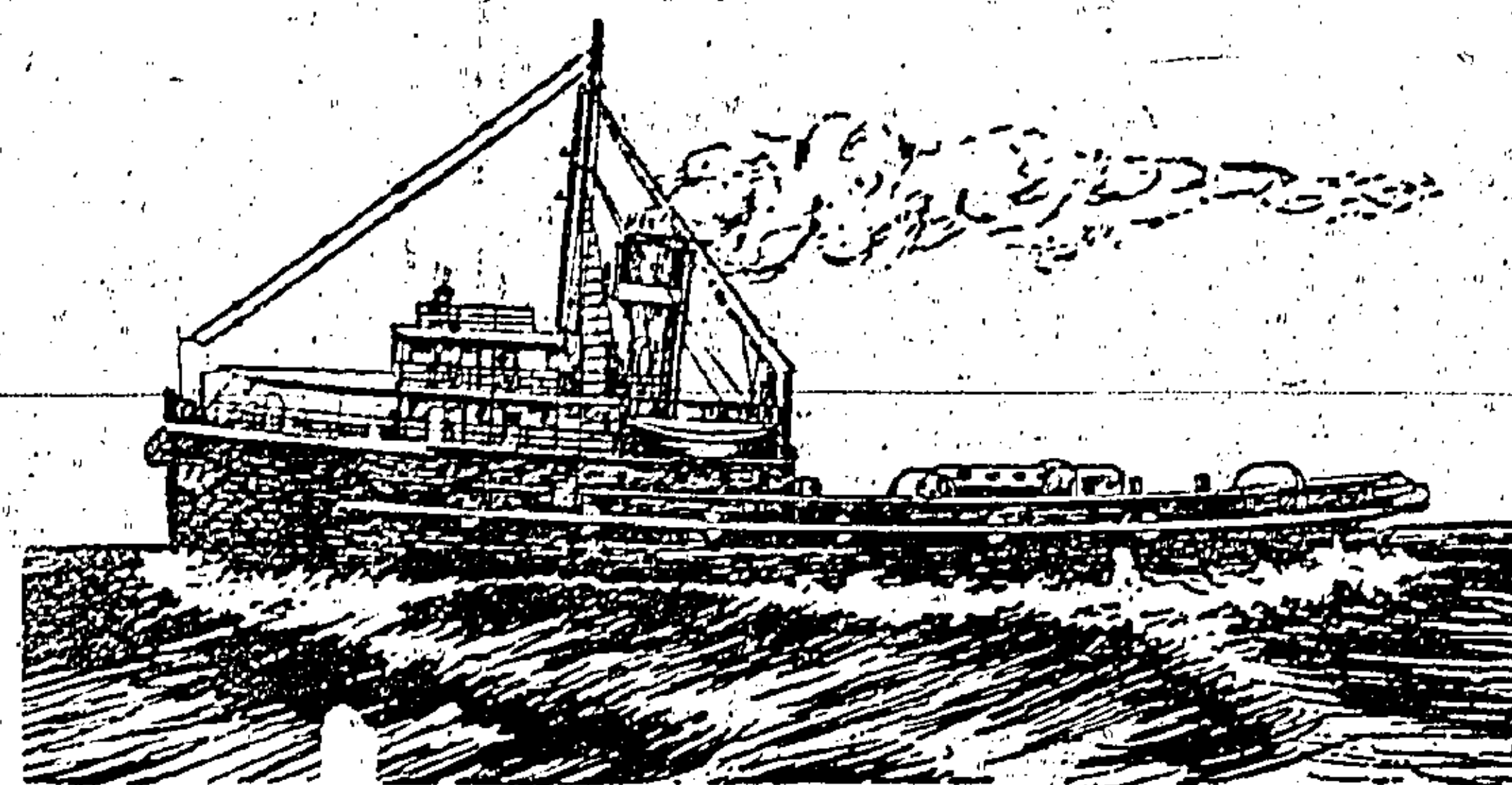
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October 12th.
W. R. C. van der Meer, from Kobe and Shanghai, with a general cargo, laying at buoy No. 42. (J. C. J. L.)

October 12th.
Shiping, British str., from Canton, laying at buoy No. 433.

October 12th.
Huland, British str., from Canton, laying at buoy No. 432.

October 12th.
Hupph, British str., 1,200 tons, Capt. T. Beer, from Bangkok, with a general cargo, laying at buoy No. 416. (B. & S.)

October 12th.
Kulgan, British str., 1,001 tons, Capt. W. F. Gower, from London, with a general cargo, laying at buoy No. 412. (Mackinnon & Co.)

October 12th.
Kuana, British str., 565 tons, Capt. T. R. Nicol, from Swatow, with a general cargo, laying at buoy No. 411. (Hing Fong)

October 12th.
Kuana, British str., 1,220 tons, Capt. E. J. Lavergne, from Tientsin and Swatow, with a general cargo, laying at buoy No. 436. (B. & S.)

October 12th.
Pronto, Norwegian str., 1,220 tons, Capt. E. D. Knudsen, from Stockholm, with a general cargo, laying at buoy No. 437. (Karlson, Larsen & Co.)

October 12th.
Szechuan, British str., from Canton, laying at buoy No. 410. (Mackinnon & Co.)

October 12th.
Tungshing, British str., 1,173 tons, Capt. E. W. Bateman, from Shanghai, with a general cargo, laying at buoy No. 438. (J. M. & Co.)

October 12th.
Hong Shik Kung, British str., 1,002 tons, Capt. F. V. Berg, from Saigon, with rice, laying at buoy No. 435. (King Chung S.S. Co.)

October 12th.
Teigan Maru, Japanese str., 1,287 tons, Capt. Y. Sugimoto, from Dairen, with coal, laying at buoy No. 438. (M.B.K.)

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October 12th

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Hinglung, for Shanghai.
Huland, for Swatow.
Kelso, for Manila.
Kuana, for Amoy.
Lok Sang, for Hothow.
Shing Sang, for Manila.
Wing Sang, for Nagasaki.
President Jackson, for Shanghai.
Sai Yik, for Shanghai.
Szechuan, for Swatow.
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The Spanish Royal Mail Steamship line *s.s. Legazpi* sailed from Manila on Thursday evening 10th instant, and is due here at daylight on Sunday, 14th instant.

The *s.s. Antelope* (Blue Funnel) left Liverpool on the 6th inst. for Singapore, Hongkong, Shanghai and Japan, and is due here on or about November 8th.

The *s.s. Murchison* (Blue Funnel) from Liverpool, left Singapore on the 11th inst. for this port, and is due here on the 15th instant.

VESSELS EXPECTED

Angkor (M.M.L.), due Nov. 7th.
Angkor (M.M.L.), due Oct. 19th.
Bakersfield (Admiral Oriental), due Oct. 18th.
Bennett (Ben Line), due Nov. 1st.
Bennett (Ben Line), due October 18th.
Empress of Asia, due Oct. 22nd.
Glaucus (Blue Funnel), due Oct. 24th.
Helena (Blue Funnel), due Nov. 2nd.
Murchison (Blue Funnel), due Oct. 15th.
President Jackson (Admiral Oriental), due October 14th.
Tengy Maru (T.K.K.), due Oct. 18th.

ATLANTIC PUZZLE

DEPTH REDUCED BY MORE THAN TWO MILES.

A cable repair ship in the Southern Atlantic reports an interesting discovery. When the Eastern Telegraph Company laid the Cape cable in 1899 the route between St. Helena and Capetown was surveyed, soundings being taken every fifty miles. This cable has been in a spot where the chart shows a depth of little more than three miles, has found that the ocean bed has risen to within three-quarters of a mile of the surface. It is suggested that this change is due to a recent submarine eruption.

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St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong.—14th October, 1923, 30th Sunday after Trinity.
 Holy Communion (8 a.m.), Matins (11 a.m.), Responses, Psalms, Venite, Credo (17th day), Exultet, 114 (Tonus), Pater Noster, 115 (Wicks); To Deum, Lawe, Cooke, Hopkins; Benedictus, Gower; Anthem, To God on High (Mendelssohn); Hymn, 219.
 N.E.—Psalms 114, verses 1, 2, 3, 6 in unison. Psalm 115, verses 1, 2, 3, 6, 12 in unison.
 Litany (12 noon). Evening Song (6 p.m.) Responses, Psalms, 124, 125, 149, 127; Magnificat, No. 7 (Strophs); Nunc Dimittis, Felton; Hymns, 176, 270, 27.

Union Church (Kennedy Road).—Sunday Services, October 14th, 1923.
 Morning Service at 11 a.m.
 Hymns: 34, 381, 317, 599.
 Evening Service at 8 p.m.
 Hymns: 147, 183, 439, 336.
 Preacher: Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald. (1559)

First Church of Christ Scientist, Macdonnell Road, (below Rowan Road, Tram Station).—Sunday, 11.15 a.m. Road, Sunday, 5.45 p.m. (1783)

WEATHER REPORT

October 12th at 12.25.—Changes of pressure are slight at the majority of reporting stations; the anticyclone probably continues to move eastward.
 Moderate monsoon will continue over the north part of China Sea.
 Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 18 hours, 12th October, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 22.18 inches, against an average of 78.71 inches.
 The forecast for the 24 hours ending at 18 hours, 13th Oct., is as follows:—
 District Forecast

Formosa Channel N winds, fresh to moderate.

Hongkong to Gap Rock N.E. winds, fresh to fresh, occasional rain, occasional rain.

South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamma do.

South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan do.

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER

Hongkong Observatory, October 12th.

Day	at 2 p.m.	at 6 a.m.	at 10 p.m.
Barometer	30.04	30.04	30.04
Temperature	75	71	74
Humidity	43	73	71
Wind Direction	ESE	ENE	E
Force	4	4	0
Weather	B	O	O
Rain	0.00	0.00	0.00

Highest open-air Temperature on 12th ... 71
 Lowest open-air Temperature on 12th ... 71

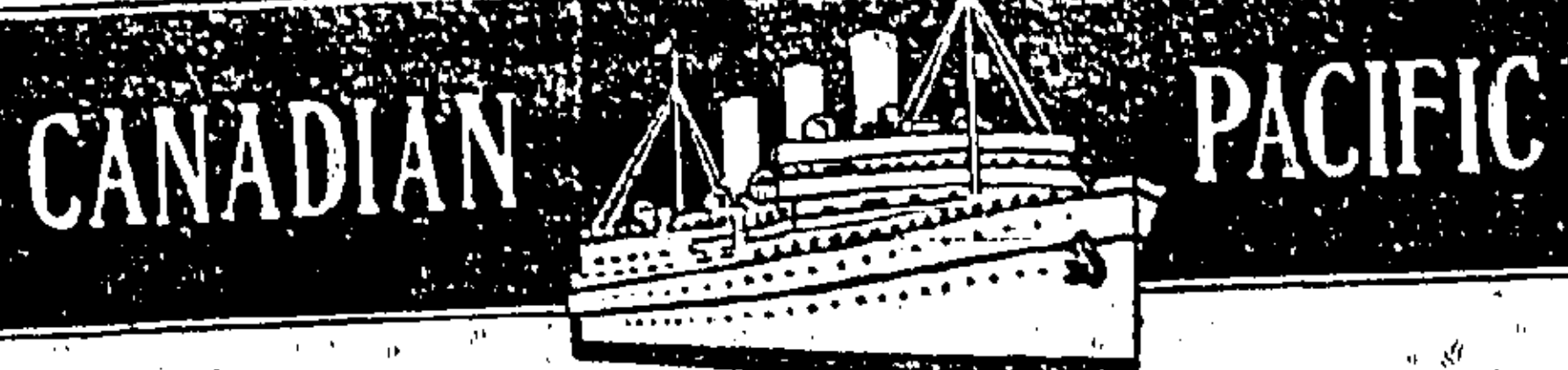
HONGKONG TIDE TABLE

From October 13th to 19th, 1923.

Day	Month	H'kong Standard Time	Height	H'kong Standard Time	Height
13	Oct	11 13	7 7	5 11	3 3
14	Oct	11 54	7 5	5 44	3 5
15	Oct	12 28	5 3	7 18	1 9
16	Oct	1 44	7 3	6 21	4 2
17	Oct	1 23	6 9	6 57	2 4
18	Oct	5 31	6 2	6 28	5 0
19	Oct	3 31	6 0	11 14	2 4
20	Oct	6 40	5 4	10 21	5 0
21	Oct	5 58	5 5	0 15	2 4
22	Oct	7 18	5 7		

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Empress Australia	Dec. 21	Jan. 9	Marburn	Jan. 16	Jan. 23
Empress Asia	Jan. 10	Jan. 28	Montcalm	Feb. 8	Feb. 15
Empress Russia	Feb. 7	Feb. 25	Marluch	Mar. 7	Mar. 14
Empress Australia	Feb. 22	Mar. 12	Melita	Mar. 19	Mar. 26
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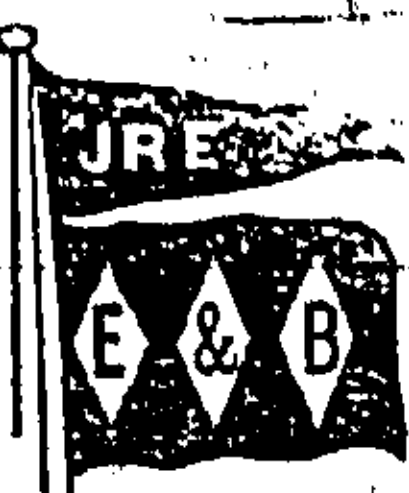
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CORDILLERE	—	—	15th Oct.
ANGERS	—	—	30th Oct.
CHILI	—	—	15th Nov.
PORTOS	—	—	27th Nov.
ANGKOR	—	—	11th Dec.
CHAMPORD	—	—	25th Dec.
	21st Sept.	24th Oct.	
	5th Oct.	7th Nov.	
	19th Oct.	22nd Nov.	

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S.S.	Tonnage	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
"SOUDAN"	6,696	17th Oct., 4 p.m.	Spore, Penang, Colombo & B'way.
"KARNATA"	9,098	19th Oct., midnight	Mars. London & Antwerp.
"CALEDONIA"	7,822	2nd Nov.	B'way, Mars, Gib, L'don & A'werp.
"WELLORE"	8,863	8th Nov.	Mars. London & Antwerp.
"SICILIA"	6,813	14th Nov.	Spore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"MALWA"	10,941	18th Nov.	Mars. Gib, London & Antwerp.
"NYANZA"	7,023	24th Nov.	Mars. L'don, A'werp & B'way.
"KALAN"	9,062	30th Nov.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp.
"SOUDAN"	6,696	13th Dec.	Spore, Penang, Colombo & B'way.
"DEVANHA"	8,092	14th Dec.	Mars. London & Antwerp.
"KAISAR-I-HIND"	11,430	28th Dec.	B'way, Mars, Gib, L'don & A'werp.

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"RHIVA"	9,097	11th Jan.	(MARSEILLES & LONDON)
"CALEDONIA"	11,089	25th Jan.	via Suez Canal of Call.
"KASGAR"	8,440	3th Feb.	do.
"MOREA"	10,611	22nd Feb.	do.
"KARNATA"	9,098	7th March	do.
"NALLERA"	15,593	21st March	do.
"DELTA"	8,097	4th April	do.
"CHINA"	7,652	18th April	do.
"KALAN"	9,062	2nd May	do.
"KASHMIR"	8,860	16th May	do.

BRITISH INDIA - APCAR SAILINGS

"TORILLA"	5,205	4th Nov.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
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EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	3rd Nov.	Manila, Thursday, Island.
"EASTERN"	4,000	1st Dec.	Townsville, Brisbane.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	5th Jan.	Sydney & Melbourne.

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"KALAN"	9,062	15th Oct., Noon.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"CALEDONIA"	7,822	19th Oct.	Shanghai.
"NYANZA"	7,023	25th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"SICILIA"	6,813	2nd Nov.	Shanghai.
"DEVANHA"	8,092	3rd Nov.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"EASTERN"	4,000	8th Nov.	Moji & Kobe.

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SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG SUBJECT TO ALTERATION			
LONDON, HAMBURG, ROTTERDAM & ANTWERP—via Singapore			
Colombo, Rangoon and Port Said			
"PARIS MARU"	Monday, 22nd Oct.		
"LONDON MARU"	Saturday, 3rd Nov.		
BIO DE JANEIRO, SANTO & BUENOS AIRES—via Saigon			
Singapore, Colombo, Durban and Capetown.			
"CANADA MARU" (Call at Montevideo)	Friday, 2nd Nov.		
BOMBAY via Singapore and Colombo.			
"HIMALAYA MARU"	Saturday, 20th Oct.		
"ALTAI MARU"	Wednesday, 24th Oct.		
SAIGON, BANGKOK & SINGAPORE.			
"BUSHO MARU"	Thursday, 1st Nov.		
CALCUTTA via Singapore and Rangoon.			
"MALAY MARU"	Friday, 19th Oct.		
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER via Shanghai and Japan			
"MANILA MARU"	Friday, 19th Oct.		
"ALABAMA MARU"	Wednesday, 21st Nov.		
NEW YORK via Japan Ports, San Francisco and Panama.			
"HAWANA MARU"	Beginning of Nov.		
JAPAN PORTS—Moji, Kobe, Osaka, Yokkaichi & Nagoya.			
"SUMATRA MARU"	Sunday, 14th Oct.		
"AMUR MARU"	Monday, 22nd Oct.		
KEELUNG via SWATOW & AMOY.			
"SUMI MARU"	Wednesday, 17th Oct., 10 a.m.		
"RAIO MARU"	Sunday, 21st Oct., 10 a.m.		
TAKAO via SWATOW & AMOY.			
"SOSHU MARU"	Thursday, 25th Oct.		
TAKAO & KEELUNG.			
"BATAVIA MARU"	Saturday, 3rd Nov.		

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SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"SZECHUEN"	On 13th Oct., 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	"SHANTUNG"	On 14th Oct., D.L.
WEIHAIWEI & TIENSIN	"RUEICHO"	On 16th Oct., D.L.
AMOY & SHANGHAI	"SUIYANG"	On 16th Oct., D.L.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KALANG"	On 16th Oct., 10 a.m.
MANILA, SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"KALANGHOU"	On 17th Oct., D.L.
CHEFOO & NEWCHANG	"TAMING"	On 17th Oct., 4 p.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"HUPPE"	On 18th Oct., D.L.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KANOHOU"	On 18th Oct., 10 a.m.
WEIHAIWEI & TIENSIN	"LINAN"	On 20th Oct., D.L.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"HUICHO"	On 21st Oct., D.L.
NEWCHANG	"KWANGTUNG"	On 23rd Oct., 16 a.m.
MANILA	"NINGPO"	On 24th Oct., D.L.
HOIHOW, PAKHOI & HAIPHONG	"TEAN"	On 24th Oct., 4 p.m.
AMOY, SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"YUNNAN"	On 25th Oct., 11 a.m.
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INWARD MAILS

FROM	PER	DATE
SHANGHAI	Swire	13th Oct.
U.S.A., CANADA, JAPAN AND SHANGHAI	Pres. Jackson	14th Oct.
SHANGHAI	City of Korea	15th Oct.
EUROPE via Negapatam (Papers only)		15th Oct.
(London 13th Sept.)		
London letters via Brindley 13th Sept.		
EUROPE via Suez (Letters and papers)		
London 13th Sept. & (Papers 12th Sept.)		
CANADA, U.S.A., JAPAN AND SHANGHAI	Empress of Asia	21st Oct.
SEATTLE	Kohori Maru	21st Oct.

OUTWARD MAILS

FOR	PER	DATE
Hongkong and Haiphong	Leisure	Saturday, 13th, 8:00 A.M.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central & South America, EUROPE via VICTORIA, B.C.	Pres. Jackson	Letter, 8:30 A.M.
due Victoria, B.C. 1st Nov.		
Swatow	Swire	8:00 A.M.
Java via Surabaya	Typhoon	10:30 A.M.
Saigon (Letters & parcels)	Armanet	5:00 P.M.
Marques & Durban		5:00 P.M.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America, EUROPE via SAN FRANCISCO	Pres. Wilson	Monday, 15th, 8:00 A.M.
due San Francisco, 6th Nov.		
Samahni and Wuchow	Tai Ming	Sunday, 14th, 10:00 A.M.
Formosa, Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central & South America, EUROPE via VICTORIA, B.C.	Naga Maru	Monday, 15th, 8:45 A.M.
due Victoria, B.C. 13th Nov.		
Shanghai	Fockwind	10:30 A.M.
Saigon, Java, Ceylon, Mauritius, India via Dhanushkodi, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 15th Nov.	Cordillera	Registration Letters, 1:45 P.M.
Swatow	Hydralis	3:30 P.M.
Wei Hai Wei	Kieichon	5:00 P.M.
Amoy	Saigun	5:00 P.M.
Manila	Pres. Jefferson	Tuesday, 16th, 3:30 P.M.
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island, 28th Oct.	Yokohama	Wednesday, 17th, 8:45 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Suna Maru	9:30 A.M.
Saigon, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marques, South Africa, India via D. Kodai & Bombay	Southern	2:30 P.M.

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"ADRASPUS"	13th Nov.	London, Rotterdam & Antwerp.

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"MEMNON"	30th Oct.	Genoa, Marseilles, Liverpool & Glasgow.
"BORYPYLUS"	1st Nov.	Marseilles, Harve, Liverpool & Glasgow.
"OANFA"	20th Nov.	Genoa, Marseilles, Liverpool & Glasgow.

PACIFIC SERVICE

"TYNDAREUS"	27th Oct.	Victoria, Seattle & Vancouver.
"PROTESILAUS"	20th Nov.	Victoria, Seattle & Vancouver.

NEW YORK SERVICE

"ALCINOUS"	25th Oct.	via Suez and Boston.
"TRUCER"	15th Nov.	via Suez and Boston.

PASSENGER SERVICE

"TEIRESIAS"	6th Nov.	for Singapore & London.
"SARPEDON"	12th Nov.	for Shanghai.
"SARPEDON"	11th Dec.	for Singapore, Marseilles & London.
"PATROULUS"	8th Jan.	for Singapore, Marseilles & London.
"MENTOR"	12th Feb.	for Singapore & London.

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ITJH. MAI, Manager.

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GENERAL Banking and Exchange.

Loans granted on approved securities.

Current Accounts opened and Fixed Deposits received at rates which may be ascertained on application.

The Bank also conducts a Savings Department.

K. C. LAU, Chief Manager.

COMMERCIAL.

OPENING QUOTATIONS.

11th October, 1923.

ON LONDON—	
Telegraphic Transfer	2/3 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand	2/3 3/4
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	2/3 1/2
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	2/3 1/2
Credits, at 4 months' sight	2/3 1/2
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight	2/4 1/2
ON PARIS—	
Bank Bills, on demand	84 1/2
Credits, 4 months' sight	89 1/2
ON NEW YORK—	
Bank Bills, on demand	51 1/2
Credits, at 30 days' sight	52 1/2
ON BOMBAY—	
Telegraphic Transfer	168
Bank Bills, on demand	168
ON CALCUTTA—	
Telegraphic Transfer	168
Bank Bills, on demand	168
ON SHANGHAI—	
Bank Bills, at sight	nom.
Private, 30 days' sight	nom.
ON YOKOHAMA—	
On demand	10 1/2
ON MANILA—	
On demand	10 1/2
ON SINGAPORE—	
On demand	96 1/2
ON BATAVIA—	
On demand	13 1/2
ON HAITHONG—	
On demand	nom.
ON SAIGON—	
On demand	82
ON BANGKOK—	
On demand	8 50
SOVEREIGN, India's Buying rate	49
GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tola	31 1/2
BAR SILVER, per oz.	31 1/2

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Head Office: Hongkong.
Authorized Capital ... \$50,000,000
Paid-up Capital ... \$30,000,000
Reserve Funds ... \$24,500,000
Sterling ... \$24,500,000
Silver ... \$24,500,000
Reserve Liability of Proprietors \$20,000,000

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LONDON BANKERS: WESTMINSTER BANK, LTD.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened in LOCAL CURRENCY and FIXED DEPOSITS received for one year or shorter periods in Local Currency and Sterling on terms which will be quoted on application.
Hongkong, 3rd October, 1923. [47]

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed on the Minimum Monthly Balances at 2 1/2 per cent. per annum.

For the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.
A. G. STEPHEN, Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 14th November, 1922. [48]

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1873.
HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

Paid-up Capital ... £2,000,000
Reserve Fund ... £2,500,000
Reserve Liability of Proprietors £7,000,000

FOREIGN EXCHANGE and General Banking business transacted.
CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and FIXED DEPOSITS received for 1 year or shorter periods at rates which will be quoted on application.

A. H. FERGUSON, Manager.

Hongkong, May 8th, 1923. [51]

BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE.

PARIS.

Head Office: 96, Boulevard Haussmann, Paris.

Subscribed Capital ... Frs. 72,000,000.00

Paid-up Capital ... Frs. 63,400,000.00

Reserve Fund ... Frs. 69,897,293.54

BRANCHES: Saigon, Hongkong, Shanghai, Batavia, Barmah, Penang, Canton, Dairen, Peking, Tientsin, Hankow, Yunnanfu, Pondicherry, Harbin.

BANKERS: IN FRANCE: Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris; Credit Lyonnais; Banque de Paris et des Pays-Bas; Credit Industriel et Commercial; Societe Generale.

IN LONDON: The National Provincial and Union Bank of England, Ltd.; Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris; Credit Lyonnais.

IN NEW YORK: J. P. Morgan and Co., French-American Banking Corporation; Guaranty Trust Co. of New York.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts and Fixed Deposits according to arrangement.

Every description of banking and exchange business transacted.

O. E. GOY, Acting Manager.

Hongkong, October 1st, 1923. [52]

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE: 16, Gracechurch Street, London, E.C. 3.

Authorized Capital ... £23,000,000
Subscribed Capital ... £21,800,000
Paid-up Capital ... £21,050,000
Reserve Fund ... £21,200,000

BANKERS: THE BANK OF ENGLAND, THE LONDON JOINT CITY & MIDLAND BANK, LTD.

BRANCHES: Bangkok, Kuala Lumpur, Bangoon, Bombay, Hongkong, Madras, Shanghai, Calcutta, Rangoon, Penang, Singapore, Colombo, Karachi, Port Louis (Mauritius), Delhi, Kota Bharu.

HONGKONG BRANCH: Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

INTEREST allowed on Current Accounts to 2 per cent. per annum on Daily Balance and on Fixed Deposits at rates that may be ascertained on application.

N. C. WILSON, Manager.

7, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, September 28th, 1923. [53]

THE BANK OF TAIWAN, LIMITED.

(TAIWAN GENCO.)

Incorporated by Special Imperial Charter, 1899.

Capital Subscribed ... Yen 60,000,000

Capital (Paid-up) ... Yen 52,500,000

Reserve Funds ... Yen 12,980,000

HEAD OFFICE—TAIPEH, FORMOSA.

BRANCHES: JAPAN—Tokyo, Yokohama, Kobe, Osaka, Moji.

FORMOSA—Girai, Kagi, Karenko, Keelung, Makung, Nanto, Finan, Shinghieu, Taichu, Tainan, Takow, Tamsui, Tohyen, Aka.

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LONDON BANKERS: LONDON COUNTRIES WESTMINSTER AND PARIS BANK.

The Bank has Correspondents in Commercial Centres in the European Continent, Russia, Manchuria, Tientsin, Japan, Indo-China, Siam, India, Philippine Islands, Java and other Dutch Indies, Australia, America, &c.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts and Fixed Deposits at rates which will be quoted on application.

B. KONDOH, Manager.

HONGKONG BRANCH: 4, Des Voeux Road, Hongkong, 15th September, 1923.

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HONGKONG. Established 1919.

Authorized Capital ... \$10,000,000.00

Paid-up Capital ... 5,000,000.00

Reserve Fund ... 500,000.00

DIRECTORS: Mr. Pong Wai Tung, Chairman, Mr. Chow Shou, Mr. Hui Yuh Tai, Mr. Kan Ying Po, Mr. Li Koon Chun, Mr. Mok Ching Kong, Mr. Fung Ping Shan, Mr. Wong Yun Tong, Mr. P. K. Kwok, Mr. Chan Ching Shek, Mr. Kan Chiu Nam, Mr. Ng Chang Lok.

Chief Manager ... Mr. Kan Tong Po, Asst. Manager ... Mr. Li Tse Fong.

BRANCHES & AGENCIES: LONDON, PARIS, SHANGHAI, KOBE, NAGASAKI, SINGAPORE, TIENTSIN, MANILA, SAMARANG, CALCUTTA.

London Bankers—The London Joint City and Midland Bank, Ltd.

Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted. Loans granted on approved securities.

Interest allowed on Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of two per cent. per annum, on Savings Accounts Four per cent. per annum, and on Fixed Deposits at the following rates:—

For 3 months at the rate of 3 per cent. per annum
For 6 months at the rate of 4 per cent. per annum
For 12 months at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum

KAN TONG PO, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, February 26th, 1923. [54]

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.

Capital (fully paid-up) ... Yen 100,000,000

Reserve Fund ... Yen 73,000,000

HEAD OFFICE: YOKOHAMA.

Branches and Agencies at: Batavia, Kobe, Soerabaya, Bangoon, Bombay, London, San Francisco, Buenos Ayres, Lyons, Los Angeles, Calcutta, Manila, Shanghai, Cebu, Dairen (Dalny), Nagasaki, Singapore, Shimomoseki, Fongtien, Nagoya, Newchwang, Hankow, Osaka, Tokyo, New York, Tientsin, Hankow, Peking, Tientsin, Harbin, Jincou, Vladivostok, Kai Yuen.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts. Deposits received for fixed periods at rates to be obtained on application.

T. NISHIYAMA, Manager.

Hongkong, 17th Sept., 1923. [55]

NEDERLANDSCHE HANDEL MAATSCHAPPIJ.

(NETHERLANDS TRADING SOCIETY.)

Established 1824.

A. Capital ... F 100,000,000 £2,333,333

Paid-up Capital ... F 50,000,000 £2,333,333

Reserve Fund ... F 10,780,180 £1,347,439

Special Reserve ... F 22,980,000 £1,889,333

Head Office—Amsterdam.

Branches at: The Hague—Rotterdam.

Head Agency—Batavia.

BRANCHES: Batavia, Bangoon, Medan, Palembang, Soerabaya, Soerakarta, Tegal, Tjilatjap, Wetered, etc.

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London Bankers—The National Provincial and Union Bank of England, Ltd.

The Bank buys and sells and receives for collection Bills of Exchange and letters of credit on its branches and correspondents in the East and on the Continent, and transacts banking business of every description.

W. H. GROSKAMP, Agent.

Hongkong, August 14th, 1923. [57]

THE BANK OF CHINA.

行銀國中

(Specially authorized by Presidential Mandate of the Republic of China on the 22nd of November, 1917.)

Authorized Capital ... \$80,000,000.00

Paid-up Capital ... 18,278,000.00

Reserve Funds ... 9,629,455.24

HEAD OFFICE: PEKING.

Branches and Agencies at: London, Hongkong, Shanghai, Tientsin, Hankow, Peking, etc.

London Bankers—The National Provincial and Union Bank of England, Ltd.

The Guaranty Trust Co. of New York.

New York Bankers—The Irving National Bank.

The Equitable Trust Co., New York.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts and Fixed Deposits. Terms on application.

Every description of Banking Business transacted.

Loans granted on approved securities. Special facilities for Home Exchange.

TSUYEE PEI, Manager.

Hongkong, September 8th, 1921. [58]

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